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Incumbents Reclaim Majority Of Student Positions Sons of Liberty Lose To More Experienced Class Council Representatives

By Bethany Johnston
Assistant Opinions Editor

The spirit of democracy is lost without competition. Five rising seniors sought to remind Mary Washington College students of that notion when they provided the only opposition in the Class Council elections held last night.

Four of these rising seniors called themselves "The Sons of Liberty," and used the mottoes "Don't Tread On Me" and "We've Got a Plan to Stick It to the Man." Rising senior Class Council officers defeated the Liberty ticket. All other Class Council positions ran unopposed.

"We are disappointed that we lost. However, we respect the choice of the senior class. We hope that the people elected will represent the students and not the administration," said the Sons of the Liberty.

The Sons of Liberty were: Deacon Chapin, who ran for senior class president; Sean Tuffy, who ran for senior class vice president; Michael Ciriame, who ran for senior class secretary/treasurer and Eric Kloss, who ran for publicity chair.

Rising senior James Creegan ran separately for publicity chair.

Clinton McCarthy, the newly-elected senior class president, was pleased with the effort demonstrated by this year's challengers.

"They all ran a hard race. I hope they show as much enthusiasm next year as they did this week," McCarthy said.

A major impetus for the Sons of Liberty running for Class Council was the recent administrative decisions concerning 100th and 197th Nights.

"If we can't go through the administration, then we will go around them. If we can't have a sanctioned 198th Night on campus, then I'm sure some place like George Street Grill would be glad to serve nine or ten kegs to some thirsty seniors," Chapin said.

Travis McCoy, newly-elected vice president of the rising junior class, defended Class Council's role in the controversy over these events.

"We are voices of the school, but I think when Dean

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Photo by Karen Pearlman

Senior Honor Council Representative Whitney Shelton hands Suzanne Hayes, class of 2000, her victory roses during Honor Council elections held last night.

Race Relations At Mary Washington College

First in a Series of Articles

By Kelly Regan
Bulletin News Editor

Hank Lewis teaches English at Mary Washington College. He is resigning next semester.

Tiffany Hill graduated from Mary Washington last year. She says she never wants to come back.

Brenda King worked on affirmative action issues as executive assistant to college president, William Anderson. The job, she says, was equivalent to knocking her head against the wall. She left the college in 1995.

All of these people have one thing in common. They are African-American and unhappy with their experience at Mary Washington.

While none harbor purely negative feelings about the institution, all said they grew tired of Mary Washington's predominantly white ethos and

resistance to greater diversity.

Lewis was recruited to teach at Mary Washington College in 1995. Since then his face has been on two brochures sent to prospective students by the admissions office, brochures which cost "in the six figures" to produce, an Admissions official said. His face is valuable because he is one of only seven black faculty at Mary Washington College. And black faculty are integral for recruiting black students.

Next year he will leave to work for Trinity College in Connecticut. He will live in New York City and teach only five classes a year instead of the eight required at Mary Washington. His salary will increase significantly. These were all reasons to leave Mary Washington. Another reason was his

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Photo by Karen Pearlman

Sophomore LaRose Fore and junior John Long look over notes at the Eagle's Nest.

Freeze-tag Junior Ring Week

Administration Establishes "Safe Havens" And "Rescuers" For Juniors On The Run

By Kim Ranney
Assistant News Editor

When the phone rings in Mary Washington College junior Larissa Lipani's off-campus apartment, the answering machine message recorded by her three senior roommates reminds callers to plan creative ways to torture Lipani as Junior Ring Week approaches.

"I have pretended for the entire year that I am not at all nervous—that I have nothing to worry about. The truth is I am dead," said Lipani, who is the junior class secretary/treasurer for Class Council.

Many of Lipani's classmates hold the same fears about Junior Ring Week, a week of special activities and pranks for the class that is about to receive their college rings. However, the division of student affairs is attempting to take some of the sting out of next week's shenanigans by designating "safe havens" on campus and asking for faculty and student volunteers to act as "Rescuers" for the juniors, according to Bernard Chirico, vice president for student affairs and one of the three organizers of the Rescuer program.

"I want the juniors to be well taken care of and to have fun," Chirico said.

Many students, including juniors, do not think that the Rescuers and safe havens will deter the pranks that often occur. Lipani feels that parameters need to be set for Junior Ring Week, but the Rescuers, who will wear red t-shirts, seem a bit overboard.

"I think that the chance that a student will volunteer to wear the red shirts is slim to none," said Lipani.

Rescuers will step in if they witness a practical joke that inhibits a junior from such responsibilities as attending class. Once a Rescuer stops a prank it is officially

terminated, according to the letter sent to students by Chirico and Cedric Rucker, associate dean for student activities.

Rucker feels that students should not be inhibited from attending class or work because they fear pranks.

"We should not have people who are afraid to come to school," Rucker said.

Junior Sean Wilmer does not feel that the college administration needs to get involved with Junior Ring Week tradition.

"Junior Ring Week pranks are between the people doing it and the people on the receiving end and so long as the receiver is accepting of the prank the college administration has no right to interfere," Wilmer said.

Senior Chris Shiplett agrees that the Rescuers will take the "fun" out of Junior Ring Week.

"There is something almost spiritual about sawing through a lock on your own for 8 hours which you can't get when you get rescued," Shiplett said.

The designated safe havens where students can antagonize juniors include the following: academic and administrative buildings, the library, Woodard Campus Center and Seabrook Hall, according to the letter.

Students who disregard the safe havens or Rescuers will be sanctioned by the Judicial Review Board or the office of student affairs, according to Chirico.

The division of student affairs created the Rescuers and safe havens in response to students who voiced concerns about pranks getting out of hand, according to Rick Surita, director of residence life and housing. Some of the gags can cross over into harassment and hazing, which is illegal, Chirico said.

Rucker agreed that practical jokes can get

Ring Week Events

Monday: Safe Haven in the Underground

Tuesday: Movie Marathon, 7 p.m. Dodd Auditorium

Wednesday: Ring Ceremony Rehearsal, 4 p.m. Dodd Auditorium

Thursday: Junior Ring King Contest at the Underground

Friday: Junior Ring Ceremony, 7 p.m. Dodd Auditorium

Saturday: Junior Ring Dance, 9 p.m. Great Hall

out of hand.

"I think some of the stuff is honestly dangerous. Who knows what could happen to a student who is duct-taped to the front gates of the college in the middle of the night?" Rucker said.

Some students foresee a negative reaction

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Campus Right-Wingers Boot Letter Writer

By Sharon Bhagwandin
Bulletin Staff Writer

Members of the College Republicans of Mary Washington College recently forced their chairman to resign due to a published article expressing a biased view towards the homosexual community.

Garrett Burris, a freshman at MWC, submitted the article "Straight Capitalism" that was published in the Feb. 20, 1997 issue of the Bulletin. This article caused controversy throughout campus and gave a wrong impression of the College Republicans, according to Erik Kahill, activities coordinator for the College Republicans.

According to Kahill, the organization forced Burris to resign because he associated his own personal views with the entire club by signing the letter "chairman of the College Republicans."

"I was disappointed to see that we had to make someone resign because of expressing their own opinion,

but he involved the club by signing it the way he did. If he would not have done that, this may not have occurred," said Kahill.

Burris did not agree with the club's decision to mandate his resignation.

"I felt that it was insane for me to be forced to resign just for using my First Amendment [freedom of speech]."

At the time of the initial interview, Burris refused to concede that he had resigned, even after the club had elected a new chairman. However, according to Randy Brown, the newly elected chairman, Burris decided to resign and not fight the decision of the entire club.

In a later interview Burris admitted that he had, in fact, officially resigned.

"I resigned as chairman of the College Republicans on March 20, 1997 due to the ridiculously overwhelming opposition to the "Straight Capitalism"

article I submitted. I felt that if I had remained chairman there would be conflict within the College Republicans," said Burris.

"I have no regrets for submitting the article. The reason I gave it to The Bulletin was to point out that the homosexual lifestyle is immoral."

-- Garrett Burris

On the heels of Burris' resignation, he also faces honor charges for plagiarism. The article "Straight Capitalism," originally titled "Homosexuals are the True American Moral Capitalist," was not Burris' own work.

According to Burris, these honor charges are being brought up by MWC students Michael Warren and Deborah Robinson. When asked about these charges, Warren said that he really could not talk about them. Robinson was not available for comment.

Burris claimed he had permission from the original author to reprint the article and that he made Bulletin editors

aware of this.

"The original article was reprinted with the permission from Ben Rich, who attends the University of Kentucky," said Burris.

However, Bulletin editors do not agree. "I did not receive the disclaimer with the article. It was not attached in any way," said Wendi Davis, Opinions editor of the Bulletin, who received the article.

Davis also stated that a disclaimer note appeared after the article had been published in the newspaper.

"We would not reprint something from another school because it would not come from our readers. The issues and opinions we print are those of Mary Washington students," Davis said.

Burris, however, does not worry about the charges against him. He said that Rich was sending a letter to the Honor Council verifying the permission given to Burris. Rich was not available for comment.

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Police Beat

By Chevone Bray
Bulletin Staff Writer

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• On March 12, Curtis Ray Farmer of Fredericksburg was charged with his second DUI offense at William Street and College Avenue.

• On March 19, Kenneth Bryan Hayes of Fredericksburg was charged with DUI, blood test refusal, following too close, and driving without a license.

• On March 21, an intoxicated student and a nonstudent were found in Jefferson Hall. The nonstudent was transported to the hospital while the student was taken to Night Haven.

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VANDALISM

• On March 7, a vehicle was damaged in the William Street parking lot. The vehicle's battery was dead and the steering column was cracked. The damages are estimated at \$25.

• On March 7, the front tires of a vehicle parked on William Street were deflated. The situation is still under investigation.

• On March 12, a vehicle was damaged in a possible hit and run incident in the Chandler Hall parking lot.

• On March 18, an ID was lost or stolen from South Hall.

• On March 18, a vehicle parked on Hanover Street near Sunken Road was damaged. The rear window was smashed in.

* * News Briefs * *

Campus Activities

• Writing Center tutor applications are available in Trinkle 107-A. Applications are due by April 4. Any questions, X1036.

• Picker's Supply will present the Fredericksburg Songwriter's Showcase on Fri. March 28, at 8 p.m. The event will take place at the Picker's Supply concert hall at 902 Caroline St. Bruce Dalzell, Pat White, JD Hutchison, and Jim Phillips will be performing. There is a suggested donation of \$5. Any questions, 898-0611.

• The Ridderhof Martin Art Galleries need workers for the 1997 school year. Applicants should have knowledge of office procedures, Microsoft Word, and should be able to drive. Applications are in the Art Department office in Melchers 217 and are due by April 18. Any questions, X1013.

• Women of Color will present Rene Hicks, a comedienne, on Fri. March 28 in Dodd Auditorium from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Admission is free. Any questions, call Raven at X3401.

• The Spring Formal will take place on April 19. Tickets will be available on Mon. April 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 pm to 6 pm in the Campus Center. Any questions, X1135.

• The Anthropology Club is sponsoring a lecture by

Gloria Grant Means titled "Women and Injustice in American Indian Communities" on March 31 at 8 p.m. in the Red Room. Any questions, X1478.

• Jane Elliot's postponed experiment "Blue Eyes, Brown Eyes" will be held on Wed. April 1 at 6 p.m. in Lee Hall Ballroom.

• The Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive on Tues. April 1 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Great Hall.

• Students for Human Rights will sponsor a movie titled "Calling of the Ghosts" on April 2 in Dodd Auditorium at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Donations will be accepted for Bosnian women. Any questions, call Cheryl at 371-7757.

• The 1997 Westmoreland County Concert Series will commence with a spring supper and chamber orchestra concert at Stratford Hall Plantation on Saturday, April 12 with the early evening concert beginning at 5 p.m. Concert Soloists of Washington will perform. Seating is limited. Contact the Westmoreland County Museum at (804) 493-8440 for more information.

• Applications for Senate Board positions will be available in the SGA office on March 31. Completed applications should be returned by 5 p.m. on April 8. Call Erika at X3736 for more information.

CORRECTION:

Adrian Carroll took the Local H photographs in the Feb. 27 issue of The Bulletin, not Karen Pearlman.

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OPINIONS

Isn't Anything Safe?

With the recent decision by Residence Life to ban all halogen lights in dorm rooms next year (a decision based on the highly reliable NBC news program "Dateline"), the Bulletin would like to propose several other items to be banned because of their hazardous side effects.

Computers: Hey, these expensive machines can cause fires when you least expect it. All those extension cords plugged into one socket? We're lucky the whole campus hasn't burned down yet. Ban 'em.

The food: We've received more complaints about the hazardous effects of the food we eat than just about anything else. More people seem to come down with bouts of food poisoning than perhaps any other sickness around campus. Therefore, it is our recommendation that all food be banned from campus. People can choke on that stuff!

Lofts: If halogen lights pose such a great fire hazard, imagine the threat of lofts made of pure wood pose! With the flick of a match, these lofts can catch ablaze. People sleeping on lofts are practically sleeping with Jack Keovorian! Lofts need to be banned next year.

Bicycles: These must go, no doubt about it. Because students injure themselves daily on bikes this problem must be addressed. Imagine this scenario: a student is gingerly walking toward the campus center underneath the all-too-narrow tunnel and whoosh! a speeding bike comes barreling down campus walk and forces the student to jump for cover. Well, this happens all too often and someone is going to get hurt. Bikes must go. However, an exception can be made for those students with training wheels.

Thumb Tacks: Man, those things are sharp! Why haven't we gotten those off campus yet? Sure, we've had them for years and no one on campus has ever reported a problem with thumb tacks, but hey, just like with halogen lights, you never know when someone could poke their eye out. Stop the madness already, ban the tack.

What are your ideas? Send them to box 604 and we'll make sure the Office of Residence Life hears your concerns. But please be careful, paper has been known to cause accidents called "paper cuts." A paper cut can be extremely painful and, if not treated properly, can cause an infection. Perhaps a better idea is to call the Bulletin office and leave us a message, that way you will not endanger your health.

Bullet Policy and Procedure

The Bulletin takes a lot of pride in the fact that it is able to print controversial pieces like the one submitted by Garrett Burris in the last issue. Most publications would shy away from such material, deeming it too racy or damning to print. What we don't appreciate is when someone takes advantage of us the way Garrett Burris did.

Had we known that his column was not his own work at the time of publication, we would not have run it because there would have been little doubt in our minds as to why he submitted the piece. We try to work with and for our readers. How many times have we refused to print something because we thought someone would get mad at us? There has to be a mutual respect.

The way Mr. Burris goes about things is a bit illogical. He has managed all at once to not only offend homosexuals, but to embarrass himself, the College Republicans, and the Bulletin.

We hope that Mr. Burris will learn something about real life from this whole episode. The Bulletin defended his First Amendment rights that he cries about, and then got slapped in the face for it.

Where Is Our Beloved "Mary Wash"?

Students Express Their Disgust About The Direction The College Is Taking

By Larissa Lipani and Wendy Gehring
Guest Columnists

Long, long ago in a place not so far away, there laid a campus wrought with tradition and distinction.

This fine institution of higher learning referred to affectionately as "Mary Wash" has now become all but obsolete.

As we rapidly approach the advent of the 21st century, we the students, may stand by to witness our college doing that which few others may claim to do: digress completely.

As members of the classes of 1997 and 1998 respectively, we appeal to you, the student, to stop making threats and start making promises. The time to demand that our voices be heard has come.

We pity the MWC tour guides in their seemingly futile attempts to entice prospective students into accepting our campus as their own. When asked by a concerned parent to describe what sets MWC apart from other colleges in Virginia, the Washington Guide now has a simple retort: absolutely nothing.

Whereas we used to have an excellent dance program available as a selling point, we now only have dry statistics on the exact number of books in our library to discuss. For our dance program was eradicated two years ago.

Special interest housing was once an excellent source of discussion for our tour guides, who must now reiterate, ad nauseum, the fact that the MWC swimming pool used to be The Underground.

And as for the point that ours is one

of the few colleges without the plus-minus system, this is no longer true. In the fall of 1998, MWC will join the ranks of every other college known to man by instituting a plus-minus grading scale.

Washington

Guides once held bragging rights about our supposedly "student run" campus. We have all held testament that this is not the case.

Class Council is an excellent example of a group of extraordinarily dedicated students whose only wish is to preserve the age old traditions of our college and facilitate several social events for the masses.

A few weeks ago, class council encountered a literal slap in the face by our Dean of Students, Dr. Chirico. A tragic accident ensued following this year's 100th night celebration. Two students were injured in a drunk-driving accident

and now all of us are paying for that.

However, it is preposterous to punish the entire student population and future classes of MWC for this incident. Airplanes have unfortunately crashed before but airlines are still doing business.

Class Council met with our Dean of Students last week armed with endless suggestions for alternatives to the planning of these events. Not surprisingly, they were refused unconditionally. What will come next, the loss of Junior Ring Dance and Graduation Ball? So much for student input.

A final desperate appeal to Dean Chirico seems to be the only remaining

option. The student Senate has repeatedly requested his presence at their weekly meetings, only to be refused.

Letters have been drafted, approved and sent to his office appealing to this sense of moral obligation to the students. However, he has appeared not once during his tenure.

He proclaimed in a meeting early this year that he hoped to revamp the image of the Dean of Students. Perhaps ignoring the students and paying them no heed is not the way to win the students

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Cartoon by Dave McKim

Zero Tolerance Applies To Everyone On Campus

By Sandy Tennyson
Guest Columnist

In a memo sent to all students on February 21 via e-mail, Bernard Chirico, dean of students, stated that he was going to institute a "zero tolerance" policy for all student activities, meaning no more alcohol at on-campus functions.

He believes that functions like 100th Night would be more memorable without drinking alcohol. He wants the student body to make more responsible decisions when it comes to drinking alcohol.

He wants us to have fun without consuming large amounts of alcohol.

I would be the first to agree with

Dean Chirico in that functions like 100th Night can be celebrated without alcohol, and I have worked hard in trying to promote my belief on this campus.

I am all for his zero tolerance policy. But, only under one condition. All activities at Mary Washington College must be dry.

That's right. No more alcohol at the Board of Visitors meetings. No more drinking at Homecoming functions. No more winning and dining rich alumni at Trench Hill. No more alcohol at future faculty/staff Christmas parties (you don't think we know about these things, but we do).

It is all or nothing. You can't tell the students not to drink if you are

serving large amounts of alcohol to the "responsible" MWC community members.

In your own words: "Mary Washington College can no longer enable the deliberate and consistent over-indulgence in alcohol which is the essence of these occasions."

If you want to baby us, like you are, you have to be a good role model. The faculty and staff need to show responsibility, too.

Admit it, they can have as much fun as us students without the use of alcohol. You have to understand that there is no way the students are going to sit by idly and watch you take our cake away and eat it too. If you want to set a precedent and make rules, they should effect us all: students, faculty,

staff—no exceptions.

And if you are worried about liability, then you have to take into consideration everyone that drinks on this campus at all campus functions. We wouldn't want an important member of the BOV or a rich alumni to get into an accident on their way home from a MWC function. And I'm sure no one offers them a shuttle service home.

Dean Chirico, "the focus must no longer be the sanctioned consumption of alcohol on campus." If this is the stand you want to make, then it has to apply to all MWC functions in order to

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Letters to the Editor

Council Hopes For Ring Week Success

Editor:

The Council on Community Values is committed to promoting and supporting the ideals of the College's "Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations." The members of the Council—students, faculty, and staff—are deeply concerned about the column entitled "Straight Capitalism" which appeared in the Feb. 20 edition of the Bulletin. Along with most members of the MWC community, we abhor this type of mean-spirited gay bashing.

We understand and respect each individual's right to free expression. Likewise, we do not dispute the fundamental right of the Bulletin to publish whatever it chooses. However, freedom of speech and freedom of the press do not absolve either the author of the editorial board of the Bulletin, as members of the college community, from exercising their responsibility to uphold our core values of civility and respect for individual differences.

We believe that it is inappropriate for the Bulletin, as the campus newspaper, to be used as a vehicle for such hateful and demeaning attacks. While sadly there may always be persons who wish to express their

disdain for others, we feel that the editorial board should use greater discretion in its approval of such "guest" columns. We see this not as a matter of censorship, but of solid judgement and support of the basic tenets of the "Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations."

Martin Wilder, chair of the council on community values

The Yearbooks Are Coming

Editor:

During the past couple of years many students may have noticed the lack of Mary Washington College's annual yearbook. The Battlefield now has a new staff and is led by Editor-in-Chief Kelly Engel.

The new staff consists of the following section editors: Anna Erikson, Kerri Pakurar, Jennifer Ely, Chris Cavanaugh, Stephanie Hand and Jennifer Wilson.

These editors are supported by about 20 additional staff members. Yearbook stage member Margot Bogert states, "I don't have any experience working on yearbooks. But I want to get involved. Plus since it hasn't come out in the last couple of years I want to help resurrect it."

"With a strong new staff, I believe that the goals we have set of completing the three yearbooks is attainable, and I thank everyone for their patience in this time of transition," states Engel, a freshman who also feels that once the yearbook is caught up, student interest will rise once again.

The yearbook staff still has to publish the 1995-96 and 1994-1995 issues, which are almost ready for publication.

All three issues of the Battlefield will be distributed this fall. The yearbook is currently asking for student candid, and if anyone is interested in helping out the yearbook please call ext. 1132.

Jennifer Wilson, Clubs Section Editor, The Battlefield

Stereotypes Just Keep Going and....

Editor:

After reading Garrett Burris's column "Straight Capitalism," we feel the need to express our anger and disappointment at the sentiments he expressed. We feel that columns such as this based solely on stereotypes do much more harm than good by perpetuating images that simply are not true.

First of all, the writer assumes that all homosexuals are men. Common sense points out that this is false.

Second, all homosexuals do not

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On March 7, Carol Ann Kinsley of Fredericksburg was charged with her second DUI offense and driving with a suspended license.

On March 12, Curtis Ray Farmer of Fredericksburg was charged with his second DUI offense at William Street and College Avenue.

On March 19, Kenneth Bryan Hayes of Fredericksburg was charged with DUI, blood test refusal, following too close, and driving without a license.

On March 21, an intoxicated student and a nonstudent were found in Jefferson Hall. The nonstudent was transported to the hospital while the student was taken to Night Haven.

On March 22, an intoxicated student was found in George Washington Circle was taken to Night Haven.

On March 22, an intoxicated student was found near the basketball court and taken to Night Haven.

VANDALISM

On March 7, a vehicle was damaged in the William Street parking lot. The vehicle's battery was dead and the steering column was cracked. The damages are estimated at \$25.

On March 7, the front tires of a vehicle parked on William Street were deflated. The situation is still under investigation.

On March 12, a vehicle was damaged in a possible hit and run incident in the Chandler Hall parking lot.

On March 18, an ID was lost or stolen from South Hall.

On March 18, a vehicle parked on Hanover Street near Sunken Road was damaged. The rear window was smashed in.

News Briefs

Campus Activities

Writing Center tutor applications are available in Trinkle 107-A. Applications are due by April 4. Any questions, X1036.

Picker's Supply will present the Fredericksburg Songwriter's Showcase on Fri. March 28, at 8 p.m. The event will take place at the Picker's Supply concert hall at 902 Caroline St. Bruce Dalzell, Pat White, JD Hutchison, and Jim Phillips will be performing. There is a suggested donation of \$5. Any questions, 898-0611.

The Ridderhof Martin Art Galleries need workers for the 1997 school year. Applicants should have knowledge of office procedures, Microsoft Word, and should be able to drive. Applications are in the Art Department office in Melchers 217 and are due by April 18. Any questions, X1013.

Women of Color will present Rene Hicks, a comedienne, on Fri. March 28 in Dodd Auditorium from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Admission is free. Any questions, call Raven at X3401.

The Spring Formal will take place on April 19. Tickets will be available on Mon. April 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 pm to 6 pm in the Campus Center. Any questions, X1135.

The Anthropology Club is sponsoring a lecture by

Gloria Grant Means titled "Women and Injustice in American Indian Communities" on March 31 at 8 p.m. in the Red Room. Any questions, X1478.

Jane Elliott's postponed experiment "Blue Eyes, Brown Eyes" will be held on Wed. April 1 at 6 p.m. in Lee Hall Ballroom.

The Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive on Tues. April 1 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Great Hall.

Students for Human Rights will sponsor a movie titled "Calling of the Ghosts" on April 2 in Dodd Auditorium at 7 p.m. and 10p.m. Donations will be accepted for Bosnian women. Any questions, call Cheryl at 371-7757.

The 1997 Westmoreland County Concert Series will commence with a spring supper and chamber orchestra concert at Stratford Hall Plantation on Saturday, April 12 with the early evening concert beginning at 5 p.m. Concert Soloists of Washington will perform. Seating is limited. Contact the Westmoreland County Museum at (804) 493-8440 for more information.

Applications for Senate Board positions will be available in the SGA office on March 31. Completed applications should be returned by 5 p.m. on April 8. Call Erika at X3736 for more information.

CORRECTION:

Adrian Carroll took the Local H photographs in the Feb. 27 issue of The Bulletin, not Karen Pearlman.

Bullet says:


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OPINIONS

Isn't Anything Safe?

With the recent decision by Residence Life to ban all halogen lights in dorm rooms next year (a decision based on the highly reliable NBC news program "Dateline"), the Bulletin would like to propose several other items to be banned because of their hazardous side effects.

Computers: Hey, these expensive machines can cause fires when you least expect it. All those extension cords plugged into one socket? We're lucky the whole campus hasn't burned down yet. Ban 'em.

The food: We've received more complaints about the hazardous effects of the food we eat than just about anything else. More people seem to come down with bouts of food poisoning than perhaps any other sickness around campus. Therefore, it is our recommendation that all food be banned from campus. People can choke on that stuff!

Lofts: If halogen lights pose such a great fire hazard, imagine the threat of lofts made of pure wood pose! With the flick of a match, these lofts can catch ablaze. People sleeping on lofts are practically sleeping with Jack Kevorkian! Lofts need to be banned next year.

Bicycles: These must go, no doubt about it. Because students injure themselves daily on bikes this problem must be addressed. Imagine this scenario: a student is gingerly walking toward the campus center underneath the all-too-narrow tunnel and whoosh! a speeding bike comes barreling down campus walk and forces the student to jump for cover. Well, this happens all too often and someone is going to get hurt. Bikes must go. However, an exception can be made for those students with training wheels.

Thumb Tacks: Man, those things are sharp! Why haven't we gotten those off campus yet? Sure, we've had them for years and no one on campus has ever reported a problem with thumb tacks, but hey, just like with halogen lights, you never know when someone could poke their eye out. Stop the madness already, ban the tack.

What are your ideas? Send them to box 604 and we'll make sure the Office of Residence Life hears your concerns. But please be careful, paper has been known to cause accidents called "paper cuts." A paper cut can be extremely painful and if not treated properly, can cause an infection. Perhaps a better idea is to call the Bulletin office and leave us a message, that way you will not endanger your health.

Bullet Policy and Procedure

The Bulletin takes a lot of pride in the fact that it is able to print controversial pieces like the one submitted by Garrett Burris in the last issue. Most publications would shy away from such material, deeming it too racy or damning to print. What we don't appreciate is when someone takes advantage of us the way Garrett Burris did.

Had we known that his column was not his own work at the time of publication, we would not have run it because there would have been little doubt in our minds as to why he submitted the piece. We try to work with and for our readers. How many times have we refused to print something because we thought someone would get mad at us? There has to be a mutual respect.

The way Mr. Burris goes about things is a bit illogical. He has managed all at once to not only offend homosexuals, but to embarrass himself, the College Republicans, and the Bulletin.

We hope that Mr. Burris will learn something about real life from this whole episode. The Bulletin defended his First Amendment rights that he cries about, and then got slapped in the face for it.

Where Is Our Beloved "Mary Wash"?

Students Express Their Disgust About The Direction The College Is Taking

By Larissa Lipani and Wendy Gehring
Guest Columnists

Long, long ago in a place not so far away, there laid a campus wrought with tradition and distinguishment.

This fine institution of higher learning referred to affectionately as "Mary Wash" has now become all but obsolete.

As we rapidly approach the advent of the 21st century, we the students, may stand by to witness our college doing that which few others may claim to do: digress completely.

As members of the classes of 1997 and 1998 respectively, we appeal to you, the student, to stop making threats and start making promises. The time to demand that our voices be heard has come.

We pity the MWC tour guides in their seemingly futile attempts to entice prospective students into accepting our campus as their own. When asked by a concerned parent to describe what sets MWC apart from other colleges in Virginia, the Washington Guide now has a simple retort: absolutely nothing.

Whereas we used to have an excellent dance program available as a selling point, we now only have dry statistics on the exact number of books in our library to discuss. For our dance program was eradicated two years ago.

Special interest housing was once an excellent source of discussion for our tour guides, who must now reiterate, ad nauseum, the fact that the MWC swimming pool used to be The Underground.

And as for the point that ours is one

of the few colleges without the plus-minus system, this is no longer true. In the fall of 1998, MWC will join the ranks of every other college known to man by instituting a plus-minus grading scale.

Washington

Guides once held bragging rights about our supposedly "student run" campus. We have all held testament that this is not the case.

Class Council is an excellent example of a group of extraordinarily dedicated students whose only wish is to preserve the age-old traditions of our college and facilitate several social events for the masses.

A few weeks ago, class council encountered a literal slap in the face by our Dean of Students, Dr. Chirico. A tragic accident ensued following this year's 100th night celebration. Two students were injured in a drunk-driving accident

and now all of us are paying for that.

However, it is preposterous to punish the entire student population and future classes of MWC for this incident. Airplanes have unfortunately crashed before but airlines are still doing business.

Class Council met with our Dean of Students last week armed with endless suggestions for alternatives to the planning of these events. Not surprisingly, they were refused unconditionally. What will come next, the loss of Junior Ring Dance and Graduation Ball? So much for student input.

A final desperate appeal to Dean Chirico seems to be the only remaining

option. The student Senate has repeatedly requested his presence at their weekly meetings, only to be refused.

Letters have been drafted, approved and sent to his office appealing to this sense of moral obligation to the students. However, he has appeared not once during his tenure.

He proclaimed in a meeting early this year that he hoped to revamp the image of the Dean of Students. Perhaps ignoring the students and paying them no heed is not the way to win the students

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Cartoon by Dave McKim

Zero Tolerance Applies To Everyone On Campus

By Sandy Tennyson
Guest Columnist

In a memo sent to all students on February 21 via e-mail, Bernard Chirico, dean of students, stated that he was going to institute a "zero tolerance" policy for all student activities, meaning no more alcohol at on-campus functions.

He believes that functions like 100th Night would be more memorable without drinking alcohol. He wants the student body to make more responsible decisions when it comes to drinking alcohol.

He wants us to have fun without consuming large amounts of alcohol. I would be the first to agree with

Dean Chirico in that functions like 100th Night can be celebrated without alcohol, and I have worked hard in trying to promote my belief on this campus.

I am all for his zero tolerance policy. But, only under one condition. All activities at Mary Washington College must be dry.

That's right. No more alcohol at the Board of Visitors meetings. No more drinking at Homecoming functions. No more wine and dining rich alumni at Trench Hill. No more alcohol at future faculty/staff Christmas parties (you don't think we know about these things, but we do).

It is all or nothing. You can't tell the students not to drink if you are

serving large amounts of alcohol to the "responsible" MWC community members.

In your own words: "Mary Washington College can no longer enable the deliberate and consistent over-indulgence in alcohol which is the essence of these occasions."

If you want to baby us, like you are, you have to be a good role model. The faculty and staff need to show responsibility, too.

Admit it, you can have as much fun as us students without the use of alcohol. You have to understand that there is no way the students are going to sit by idly and watch you take our cake away and eat it too. If you want to set a precedent and make rules, they should effect us all: students, faculty,

staff—no exceptions.

And if you are worried about liability, then you have to take into consideration everyone that drinks on this campus at all campus functions. We wouldn't want an important member of the BOV or a rich alumni to get into an accident on their way home from a MWC function. And I'm sure no one offers them a shuttle service home.

Dean Chirico, "the focus must no longer be the sanctioned consumption of alcohol on campus." If this is the stand you want to make, then it has to apply to all MWC functions in order to

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Letters to the Editor

Council Hopes For Ring Week Success

Editor:

The Council on Community Values is committed to promoting and supporting the ideals of the College's "Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations." The members of the Council—students, faculty, and staff—are deeply concerned about the column entitled "Straight Capitalism," which appeared in the Feb. 20 edition of the Bulletin. Along with most members of the MWC community, we abhor this type of mean-spirited gay bashing.

We understand and respect each individual's right to free expression. Likewise, we do not dispute the fundamental right of the Bulletin to publish whatever it chooses. However, freedom of speech and freedom of the press do not absolve either the author of the editorial board of the Bulletin, as members of the college community, from exercising their responsibility to uphold our core values of civility and respect for individual differences.

We believe that it is inappropriate for the Bulletin, as the campus newspaper, to be used as a vehicle for such hateful and demeaning attacks. While sadly there may always be persons who wish to express their

disdain for others, we feel that the editorial board should use greater discretion in its approval of such "guest" columns. We see this not as a matter of censorship, but of solid judgement and support of the basic tenets of the "Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations."

Martin Wilder, chair of the council on community values

The Yearbooks Are Coming

Editor:

During the past couple of years many students may have noticed the lack of Mary Washington College's annual yearbook. The Battlefield now has a new staff and is led by Editor-in-Chief Kelly Engel.

The new staff consists of the following section editors: Anna Erikson, Kerri Pakurar, Jennifer Yeh, Chris Cavannah, Stephanie Hand and Jennifer Wilson.

These editors are supported by about 20 additional staff members. Yearbook staff member Margot Bogert states, "I don't have any experience working on yearbooks. But I want to get involved. Plus since it hasn't come out in the last couple of years I want to help resurrect it."

"With a strong new staff, I believe that the goals we have set of completing the three yearbooks is attainable, and I thank everyone for their patience in this time of transition," states Engel, a freshman who also feels that once the yearbook is caught up, student interest will rise once again.

The yearbook staff still has to publish the 1995-96 and 1994-1995 issues, which are almost ready for publication.

All three issues of the Battlefield plan to be distributed this fall. The yearbook is currently asking for student candid, and if anyone is interested in helping out the yearbook please call ext. 1132.

Jennifer Wilson, Clubs Section Editor, The Battlefield

Stereotypes Just Keep Going and....

Editor:

After reading Garrett Burris's column "Straight Capitalism," we feel the need to express our anger and disappointment at the sentiments he expressed. We feel that columns such as this based solely on stereotypes do much more harm than good by perpetuating images that simply are not true.

First of all, the writer assumes that all homosexuals are men. Common sense points out that this is false.

Second, all homosexuals do not

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Bullet Letter and Column Policy

The Bulletin is always eager to receive letters to the editor and guest columns and every effort is made to print them. If there are numerous letters on one subject, a sampling of the best letters received will be printed.

Letters should be no more than 250 words and columns no more than 750 words, typed, double-spaced. All letters and columns are subject to editing for length and clarity, as well as determining which letters and columns will run in the newspaper. The deadline for letters and columns is Monday at 5 p.m.

The Bulletin does not publish anonymous letters or columns. All letters need to be signed with the writer's appropriate title. A phone number and address are also needed for verification.

All letters and columns can be mailed to the Bulletin at Box 661, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA, 22401-4666 or delivered to our office in the Woodland Campus Center.

If you have any questions, call Zak Billmeier, Rob Thormeyer or Wendi Davis at 654-1133.

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FEATURES

New Members Key Into Phi Beta Kappa

By Lauren Q. Chadwick
Bulletin Staff Writer

Last Sunday afternoon 40 Mary Washington College students joined the ranks of Bill Clinton, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Pearl S. Buck, Helen Keller, and Jonas Salk. In the ballroom of Lee Hall, the juniors and seniors were initiated in the Kappa of Virginia chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

"This is one of the biggest honors you can get in college," said junior Angie Salsbury, an inductee. "Just look at the names of the people that are in it. It's nice to be recognized with them."

Phi Beta Kappa is a 200 year old national honor society that recognizes high intellectual achievement in liberal arts and sciences and strength of moral character. Juniors, seniors and alumni are inducted into the society once a year at Mary Washington College.

A subcommittee of Phi Beta Kappa faculty and students scrutinized the transcripts of juniors and seniors whose cumulative grade point average is at least 3.65. This year 34 seniors and six juniors were chosen to join the 16 students inducted last year. According to Robert Rycroft, professor of economics and chapter secretary-treasurer, Phi Beta Kappa members make up approximately 4-5% of this year's graduating class.

Together the initiates pledged their allegiance to the ancient and honorable society whose motto translates from the Greek words "Phi Beta Kappa" to "Love of wisdom, the helmsman of life." Each inductee signed his name in the chapter's ledger when called forward by W. Gardner Campbell, assistant professor of English and chapter vice-president. A handshake from Suzanne Sumner, assistant professor of mathematics and chapter president, completed the initiation.

Donald Glover, distinguished professor of English, shared the history of Phi Beta Kappa with the audience on behalf of David Cain, distinguished professor of Religion and chapter historian, who is on sabbatical this semester.

The society was founded in 1776 at the College of William and Mary. Originally intended to be a secret society, members shared a secret handshake and a special hand gesture, Glover said. The handshake was so secret that only a handful of members know it today, himself excluded.

Glover added that today members rarely greet each other with the gesture as intended by the founding members. The gesture represents the actions associated with sealing one's lips and throwing away the key, the symbol of Phi Beta Kappa.

However, since the Kappa of Virginia chapter at MWC was chartered in 1971, the fundamental traditions of the society have been honored on campus. Upon receiving the charter, Mary Washington College joined the likes of Yale, Harvard, and Dartmouth, examples of the other 249 chapters nationwide.

"It is really noteworthy that the college has a chapter," Sumner said. "The criteria is very high. It took seven years for Mary Washington to get chartered. Colleges must show that their academic programs are really rigorous in order to be accepted."

A college or university must also have sufficient Phi Beta Kappa members on its staff. The Mary Washington Colleges staff boasts 41 staff members between its present and retired faculty, alumni, and honorary members.

In 1996 the chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary by erecting the bronze

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Clockwise from top:

Junior Rob McKinstry soaks up some rays before his visit to the Bahamas is cut short.

McKinstry (right) and junior Jenna Cassidy wait for their delayed flight at Baltimore-Washington International Airport during the first night of their trip.

Juniors Brian McMurray, Marissa Buono and Josh Jordan (left to right) manage to keep smiling throughout their less than perfect vacation.

By Lauren Q. Chadwick
Bulletin Staff Writer

Warm sun, sandy white beaches and turquoise waters are the stuff dreams of the perfect spring break are made of. However, for the 12 Mary Washington College students embarking on a tropical vacation in the Bahamas, this dream turned into a travelers' nightmare.

Junior Jenna Cassidy organized the trip for her friends.

"We basically got screwed. We spent two nights in airports and left the Bahamas a day early because our rooms were overbooked," Cassidy said. "The only compensation we got was a courtesy room in our hotel with one shower and no towels for thirty people."

The students purchased a spring break package from Take A Break Student Travel through Four Seasons Travel of Fredericksburg. The

package included seven nights of hotel accommodations and round trip flights for \$496.

The group's worries began before they left for the airport. They learned from news reports that the Federal Aviation Administration grounded the charter airline, AV Atlantic, booked by Take A Break Tours to fly spring breakers to the Bahamas. Junior Marissa Buono called the airport and learned that Miami Air would take the route instead.

That night the students, along with over 150 other spring breakers from area colleges, sat in Baltimore-Washington International Airport for seven and a half hours. A fuel truck struck the plane provided by Miami Air, deeming that plane unsafe for flight by FAA regulations.

Daphne Osleger, the group's travel agent from Four Seasons travel, saw news reports of student traveling with Take A Break stranded in airports.

"I tried to contact Take A Break all day Monday to find out what happened but the line was constantly busy," Osleger said.

As of March 24, Osleger still had not been able to communicate with Take A

Break representatives, except to gain instructions on how to file for compensation for the two nights missed in the Bahamas. Take A Break has not returned her multiple voice mail messages or her faxes.

Having missed the first of their seven nights in their hotel, the students arrived in Nassau at 8 a.m. on March 10. Take A Break representatives met the students at the airport and ushered them to a hotel. There they attempted to sell them special passes, called gold cards, for spring break events and clubs before allowing the students to check into their hotels.

Junior Rob McKinstry was disenchanted with this behavior.

"They basically tried to cheat us out of money by trying to get us to buy a pass for \$80 to get into clubs that cost from \$20 to \$40 to get into," McKinstry said. "We were glad no one from our group bought it because we found that we could always find passes to the same clubs for free or \$5 admission."

Juniors Kirsten Angle, Liz Siciliano, Marianne Dailey, and Erin Golden arrived at their hotel only to find more problems.

"We were frustrated enough by our seven-and-a-half hour delay. But when we arrived at the hotel we found that the hotel didn't even have us registered for a room," Siciliano said.

Siciliano explained that once they were given a room they did not associate with Take A Break until the end of the week. Thursday Take A Break posted a notice in the students' hotel stating that the group would be leaving Saturday night instead of Sunday afternoon as scheduled. This reduced the group's stay from the seven nights to five, even though they still paid for the full seven.

"The first night when we were locked in the airport it didn't seem to matter because we were having such a good time, but when they told us that now we had to leave early there was nothing to look forward

to," McKinstry said.

The students became even more skeptical of Take A Break when the hotel told them that they had to check out by 10 a.m. Saturday because their rooms needed to be cleaned for the next group, even though they were scheduled and paid to stay in their rooms another night.

"We had the rooms booked until March 16, but the hotel clerk insisted that another Take A Break group was arriving on the night of March 15 to stay in our rooms," Buono said. "He even showed me the reservations. It appeared that they had double booked our rooms from the start and they wouldn't let us use our rooms on Saturday even though we paid for them."

Siciliano described the ordeal she had trying to discover the cause of their problems.

"The Take A Break representatives in Nassau basically tried to pawn the problem off on someone else. All they did was post a note in our hotel. They completely tried to ignore me when I went to find out why we were forced to leave early," Siciliano said. "They wouldn't even answer the phone. I had to go to their offices and spend my last night there trying to get answers from them, and I never really did."

According to Osleger, Take A Break Student Travel had been a reputable company up to this point. She has sent students on similar packages to Cancun for the past three spring breaks with no problems.

A Take A Break representative at their headquarters in Boston refused to discuss any on these issues over the phone. She stated that all complaints and questions must be submitted in written form.

Osleger declined to comment on the alleged double-booking of the hotel rooms until she has spoken with Take A Break representatives. However, she said she will never use Take A Break again.

"Never. No. We have an excellent track record for sending college students on spring break and we don't want to jeopardize that. I am very angry with the way my clients were treated down there and I have already faxed a complaints expressing both my

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photos courtesy of Lauren Chadwick

Junior Ring Week Pranks Labeled Out Of Control

By Jennifer Goldman
Bulletin Staff Writer

Two Mary Washington College students walking to class along College Avenue were blindsided and abducted last spring. They were driven to Mott's Reservoir and tied to a tree, where they were left for 20 minutes, duct taped together.

This, however, was not a criminal act. It was a Junior Ring Week prank pulled on Jen Steffens and her friend, Justine, that had gone too far.

"It felt like we were tied up for a real long time," Steffens said. "I had no idea where I was and no idea how to get back home."

Junior Ring Week is one of the oldest traditions at Mary Washington College. The week before juniors receive their class rings, the entire student body pulls pranks on the juniors as a rite of passage.

According to Michelle Trombetta, class council president, MWC is one of only 10 schools in the nation that carries on this tradition. Although the tradition of Junior Ring Week has been in place for a long time, pranks have been getting out of hand over the past few years. Although 1996 pulled in the most money from ring sales, events, and turnout, the property damage ending up costing \$5,000.

According to Amy Szczepanski, honor council president, there were several specific pranks last year that caused the administration to become

concerned. One student had his lap top computer thrown out of a window. In addition, a group of students was chained to the front gates of the school and left there for a few hours.

Beth Moss, judicial review board chairwoman, commented on the nature of these pranks.

"Although the people who pulled these pranks meant them all in fun, they don't know who could be out in the streets. If someone is chained up they are utterly defenseless," Moss said.

Bernard Chirico, vice president of student affairs and dean of students, has formed a Junior Ring Week safety committee in order to make Ring Week a more positive and meaningful experience for the juniors. This committee consists of Chirico, Szczepanski, Moss, Trombetta and Elise Balkin, SGA president.

The committee has pranks will not be pulled in any of the academic buildings, as they often disrupt classes. Academic buildings are to be safe havens for juniors during Ring Week 1997.

The anxiety of the junior class is rising steadily as Ring Week approaches and they recall pranks they have witnessed in the past. While most agree that there are lines that should not be crossed, many have mixed feelings about the involvement of the safety committee.

Steffens believes the school is taking too much action with things like Junior Ring Week, and such

traditions should be left alone.

"Even though someone's embarrassed by a Ring Week prank, they should get over it, not punish the other person," Steffens said. "It's all in fun."

Senior Erin Doty observed that people who pull destructive pranks will probably continue, regardless of what the safety committee does. "The administration shouldn't take it too far; that would take the fun out of the tradition," Doty said.

Senior Bob Rogers, however,

disagrees.

"Lines have been crossed lately, such as destruction of property and physical harm," Rogers said. "Everyone wants to be part of the tradition, but it would be great if the destructive pranking could be eliminated."

While junior Susan Ackley agrees that property should not be damaged, she feels sanctions should only be implemented as a last resort.

"Pranking is not something that can be controlled and if they sanction

the tradition they are limiting the spirit of Ring Week," said Ackley. "Just because some people get carried away, the tradition should not be regulated like everything else on this campus is."

According to Moss, the people who tend to pull the biggest, most damaging pranks on people they hardly know are the freshmen. Their targets are mainly junior RAs who reside in freshman buildings.

Sye Smith was a junior RA in a

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Diana May/Bulletin

The fountain is rarely empty during the Junior Ring Week as non-juniors throw in their junior friends as a traditional prank.

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replica of the Phi Beta Kappa key on Campus walk next to Trinkle Hall.

The key is a visible statement of the society's presence on campus. The three stars depicted on the plaque represent the commitments and ambitions of the scholars: friendship, morality, and literature [learning].

Each year Phi Beta Kappa sponsors the Visiting Scholar Program. This occurred last week and featured Latinist and Classicist, Julia Haig Gaiser of Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. She gave her lecture "On the Ill Fortune of Scholars: Poets, Patronage, and the Sack of Rome (1527)" and visited classes last Thursday.

Senior Dianna Rowell worked on the committee that organized Gaiser's visit.

"It was really nice to be involved in bringing a scholar to campus and to be a part of the chapter," Rowell said. "I will always be a member, no matter where I go. I enjoyed being inducted last year because I have given me a chance to learn about the chapter and feel that I am a part of it."

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clients' and my complaints," Osleger said. "I am expecting some type of monetary compensation to be awarded."

She also explained that agencies all over the country use Take A Break to offer spring break packages at rates that are 50 percent to 70 percent less than they would be otherwise.

Take A Break is approved by the Airline Reporting Association, the American Society of Travel Agencies, and the National Association for Campus Activities.

"If a company is approved by the National Association for Campus Activities it means that it can advertise on all college campuses nationwide," Osleger said.

Companies like these operate by negotiating flight prices with charter airlines to certain locations such as the Bahamas and Cancun. They negotiate with the hotel clubs and clubs at the locations to develop a package to be sold by travel agents.

A company by the name of Apple Vacations sells package vacations similar to those sold by Take A Break Student Travel. According to

Osleger, Apple Vacations is a much larger company and charges almost twice as much as Take A Break. Apple Vacations also had spring break packages to Nassau that left from Baltimore-Washington International Airport.

Senior Kirsten Franklin traveled to Nassau with Apple Tours with several friends during spring break. Although her group only stayed in the Bahamas for five nights, they experienced neither airline nor hotel problems.

Osleger attributed the students' early departure from Nassau to the charted airline problems. She explained that Take A Break was probably forced to negotiate with other airlines to get the students home without charging them more. They only way they could do that was by reducing the number of nights in the hotel.

"It was a fun trip and we had a great time just being in the Bahamas, but it was unfortunate that we had so much to worry about and that we didn't get to stay for the time we paid for," Buono said.

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freshman building in 1995 and had a bad experience with his residents during Ring Week. The pranking got so out of hand that his father finally called the campus police in fear for his son's safety.

Although Steffens, the victim of a kidnapping, was not too upset by the pranks pulled on her, she agreed with Smith that freshmen are the ones who go too far.

"It's a way for them to be cool. They want to be involved in the tradition and then they over do it," Steffens said.

The safety committee plans to send junior class officers to speak to freshmen before Ring Week begins this year in order to remind them that both honor codes and judicial codes are still in effect during Ring Week. Although the changes are not going to be immediate, the committee is hoping for a four-year turnover rate for the future. By the time the current freshmen are seniors, the committee hopes they will promote a more friendly and open environment for pranks.

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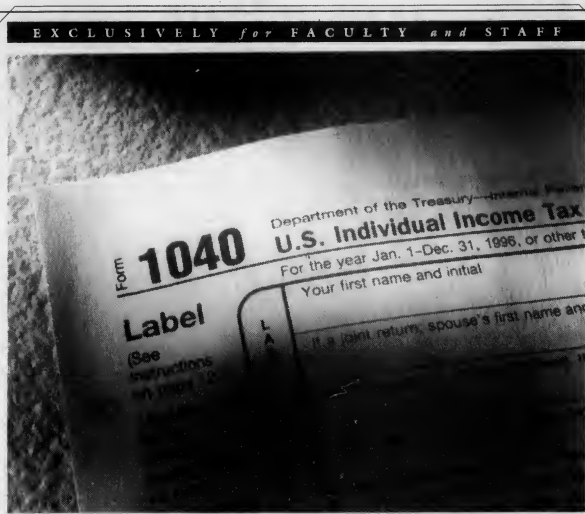
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Bullet Player of the Month

Jeff Hootselle
Baseball

Hootselle, a senior pitcher, has been simply awesome in the month of March, winning all three of his starts. He is now 5-0 on the season, and has allowed just one earned run in 43 innings for a miniscule 0.21 ERA. Opponents are hitting just .122 against Hootselle, who has received national mention for his efforts so far this season.

Softball

The softball team lost all four games over the weekend at the Salisbury State University Tournament to drop their season record to 4-7. In the first game on Thursday, Emily Hopkins led the Eagles with a double and a run, but they lost to Bethany College 2-1. In the next game, Sara Goode hit a double and a single, but the Eagles failed to generate much offense and lost to William Patterson College 4-1.

On Friday, in their third game, Mary Washington dropped 13 runs to Messiah College in five innings, losing the game 13-1. Carrie Williams had a single, stole two bases and scored the only MWC run. In their fourth and final game of the tournament Saturday Kelley Richards hit a double, walked and scored one of the Eagles two runs, but it wasn't enough. Wilkes University prevailed 5-2.

Track

The women's track team opened their outdoor season with a win, taking first place at the Roanoke College Invitational, while the men's team tied for third at that same meet.

All-American Myra Simpson led the ladies by finishing first in the 100 yard dash and 100 yard hurdles, second in the triple jump, and third in the long jump. Simpson's teammate, freshman Yurissa Mitchell, took first in the long and triple jumps. Simpson earned Most Valuable Performer honors for her efforts.

On the men's side, the distance relay team of Justin Gerboreux, Nate Plucker, Derek Coryell and Jon Gates took first place to assure MWC's third place tie overall with host Roanoke College.

Both teams will compete at this weekend's Battleground Relays.

Upcoming Events

Men's Tennis

Mar. 27 vs. Liberty U., 3:30 p.m.
at the Battleground

Apr. 1 at Christopher Newport, 3 p.m.

Women's Tennis

Mar. 28 vs. Washington & Lee, 4 p.m.
at the Battleground

Men's Lacrosse

Mar. 29 at Salisbury St. U., 2 p.m.

Apr. 2 at Randolph - Macon, 3:30

Outdoor Track

Mar. 28-29: Battleground Relays
at the Battleground

Women's Lacrosse

Mar. 29 vs. Washington & Lee, 2 p.m.
at the Battleground

Apr. 2 at Goucher College, 4:30 p.m.

Softball

Apr. 1 vs. Williams Coll. (DH), 3 p.m.
at the Battleground

Apr. 2 vs. Gallaudet U. (DH), 3 p.m.
at the Battleground

Baseball

Mar. 28 vs. Ferrum College, 3 p.m.
at the Battleground

Mar. 31 at Bridgewater Coll., 3 p.m.

Apr. 2 at St. Mary's Coll., 3 p.m.

Riding

Apr. 5 - Regional Finals
at MWC

MWC Baseball Off To Fast Start

Eagles fall to Wesleyan, but remain 12-2

By Josh VanDyck
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

Sometimes a wake-up call is just the right medicine for a good team. For MWC baseball, Tuesday's 10-4 rout at the hands of Va. Wesleyan might have been just that. The Eagles entered the game at 12-1 and ranked 16th nationally, but left a little bit humbled.

"This loss, to a lesser team, should help us keep a level head about our season," said sophomore pitcher Keith Harrison, watching from the sidelines.

Against Va. Wesleyan, the Eagles were admittedly resting several starters, but they also struggled in the area that has been their greatest strength this season: pitching. The Marlins struck for a five-run third on Eagle starter Donny Michael (2-1), building a 7-0 lead that they would not relinquish. The ten runs Wesleyan earned against Eagle hurlers on Tuesday equaled nearly half of the 25 runs the Eagles had allowed in the previous 13 games combined.

For the season, however, Mary Washington pitching has been brilliant. Led by senior ace Jeff Hootselle, the Eagles' staff has a combined ERA of 1.67, with opponents hitting for a minuscule .188 average. Hootselle has won all five of his starts, and has allowed just one earned run in 43 innings, including a school-record 40 consecutive scoreless innings. Number-two starter Kevin Losty has also impressed, going 4-1 with 4 complete games.

Hootselle has been honored nationally already by Louisville Slugger for his excellent play this season, and has been



Jennifer Landis.

MWC's Matt White scores in the 3rd inning Tuesday, but Eagles went on to lose 10-4 to Va. Wesleyan.

the subject of a feature article in *The Free Lance Star*. A probable all-American, the senior has been crucial to the team's early success.

"He's someone the whole team can look up to, because he works really hard," said fellow pitcher Jeff Sheldon of Hootselle.

At the plate on Tuesday, the Eagles struggled against Va. Wesleyan's Fella Dolby, but still had chances to score that they failed to take advantage of. Twice base-running errors spoiled Eagle rallies, and in the 7th the Eagles stranded two runners when it appeared that Dolby was tiring. In general, the Eagle bats have

struggled of late, providing just four runs in each of the last three games, three below their season average.

"Our hitting is in a little slump, but we just need to be a bit more aggressive," said first basemen Eric Guyton.

This inefficiency has been uncommon for most of the season, though, as the Eagles have been nearly as hot offensively as on the mound. Averaging seven runs a game and batting .290 as a group, MWC has outscored its opponents 95-35 thus far. Seniors Jin Wong and Nathan Payne, leaders of the lineup last season, have once again stepped up with their bats. Centerfielder Wong is hitting .362 with 18 stolen bases,

while catcher Payne is hitting .279 with a team-high 15 RBI.

Also contributing greatly to the attack is the improved bat of sophomore second basemen Chris Kenney, who is hitting a team-best .388. Cleanup hitter Guyton has also been solid, hitting .289 with 9 RBI, 4 doubles, and 2 home runs.

Though the team's fast beginning is similar to last season's, when the team struggled in the latter part of its schedule and missed the NCAA tourney, the Eagles believe that this year will be different.

"I think we have more team depth and a

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Karen Pearman/Bullet

The Eagle women hope to battle their way to the nationals.

Women's Lax Geared for a Title Run

By Eric Gaffen
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

Coming off a successful 10-4 1996 campaign in which they were edged out for a national bid, the women's lacrosse team hopes to go about claiming what they once lost, a Capital Athletic Conference Championship and a trip to nationals. Off to a 4-1 start this season (1-0 in the CAC), including most recently a 6-3 thriller over heated rival Randolph-Macon, the Eagles are now taking it one step at a time.

"Our goals are first and foremost to win our conference, and then receive a national bid," said senior tri-captain Inga Fredlund. "But those goals can only be reached if we concentrate on what has gotten us this far - hard work."

The hard work comes from the rigorous line-up of games that Coach Dana Hall schedules each year, often against perennial powers. After playing third-ranked Ursinus last Saturday, losing 14-10 in a game that without

questionable refereeing could have been a win, they will take on No. 7 Goucher and No. 1 Trenton State in the upcoming week. This dedication to a schedule of national powers maintains its roots from four years ago, when Hall first added teams of this caliber.

Now, four years later, Hall's attitude of "to be the best, you have to play and beat the best," is paying off. Four-year senior leaders like fellow tri-captains Nicole Matthews, Liza Barber, team leading scorer Charlotte Cockrell, Kristie Fasanaro and Amy Walters have seen this program blossom into their own national powerhouse.

It was this core of players, in addition to last year's talented group of seniors, who catapulted MWC onto the lacrosse map, helping Hall to recruit talented freshman in the past years from such lacrosse hotbeds as New York, Maryland and New Jersey. That six of the ten freshmen this year coming from states

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Women's Tennis Takes a Pair

By Jason Schultz
Bulletin Staff Writer

The women's tennis team won two matches this weekend, though very different from each other. They edged out Colgate University five points to four on Saturday, March 22 and routed Mt. St. Mary's in what amounted to little more than a warmup match on Sunday, eight points to one.

On Saturday, versus Colgate, the

bottom two players on the MWC singles ladder, senior Jaime Evans and senior Jen Cogar, came up big, and right when they were needed the most. The top two MWC players, junior Kirsten Erickson and freshman Jyoti Schlesinger, lost their singles matches handily.

Along with these losses, sophomore Kelley Gallagher lost a close match against Marianne Miller 6-4, 7-6.

"I didn't have as much confidence as I should during the whole match, and that was the wrong attitude to have," Gallagher said. "I was intimidated by the fact that they were a Division I school, but it was a close match and I could have pulled it out."

"What happened Saturday is very reflective of us," coach Ed Hegmann said. "Historically it has not been the top positions that have been key for us. It's nice to win at the top but against Division I schools we don't always match up."

Making up for the three MWC losses, no. 3 player sophomore Leah Morris won 6-1, 6-3, no. 6 Cogar won 6-1, 6-3 and Evans rolled over Eileen Harvi with the speed and power of a freight train. She won 6-0, 6-0 in about 25 minutes.

"Jaime's tenacious," Hegmann said. "She didn't mess around with her opponent, just wiped her out."

Evans said, "My style of game is that I like to close out the point quickly. I keep my opponent moving around the court and I basically frustrate girls to death."

Evans made her presence well known the entire weekend on singles and doubles.

When she and Cogar got together to play doubles on Saturday after their singles wins, the results were fairly similar, as they won eight games to one.

"Jen and Jaime just blitzed their opponents, and quickly too," Hegmann said.

Also in doubles, Morris and Erickson teamed up at the top of the ladder but lost to Sam Kohn and Alex Alton eight games to four. This left the score tied at four points a piece with the tiebreaking match to

Schlesinger and Gallagher.

"We had both come off our singles losses, and we wanted to get back at them," Gallagher said. "And they were a little rude to us during the match which got us going even more. I didn't even know the match was tied until afterwards, but Jyoti knew. I

just wanted to win."

Schlesinger and Gallagher's doubles win along with Evans' steamrolling of her opponent gave the Eagles the win by one point, a win that will be key to selection to the national championships at the end of the season.

Sunday's match was nowhere near as tough for the Eagles. Schlesinger said that it felt a lot easier for them to win and it took much less time - 45 minutes less to be exact.

Hegmann said the Colgate coach told him that before that they had played Mt. St. Mary's and beaten them "handily," so he had a good feeling going in.

According to Gallagher, the entire Mt. St. Mary's team just did not seem to be into the match.

"That was a sign that they wouldn't be too much of a threat," she said.

Indeed they were not, except at No. 1 singles, where Maria Mood beat Erickson 6-0, 6-0.

"Kirsten got frustrated," Hegmann said. "She usually carries the day with patience, but this girl out-consistenced her. Kirsten got frustrated and tried to rush the net, but got passing shots hit by her."

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WOMEN

other than Virginia speaks volumes of the women's program.

This season's squad is by far the most complete and talented bunch of young women to grace the Battleground's turf. From top to bottom, each player can contribute to the team, as evidenced by the ten players to have recorded at least one goal already. More importantly, the ability to win close battles against good teams, so often a mark of an excellent team, seems to be held by this year's squad.

Monday's game versus Randolph-Macon was a difficult one, as Macon always plays the Eagles tough. Trailing by one with five minutes left, freshman Jamie Wissmann calmly scored two unassisted goals in a 1:44 span to claim victory, 7-6. Another big win came in the first game of the season, when the Eagles held on for a 13-11 win against Roanoke, the team that got the South Region's final bid last year to the national tournament.

"We have depth, we've more than

compensated for last year's senior losses, and every one play and hold their own," said Fredland. "We are ready to win."

There is nothing fancy here. There is no show boating. There is no "we're #1. Trenton State is going down!" There is just a conscientious work ethic, a huge pool of talent, and a desire to win. That's what they're all about.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Three Bands "Voice Their Choice"

By Caroline Weaver

Bullet Assistant Entertainment Editor

Ever since "Live Aid" in the Eighties, rock concerts—large-scale and small—have become a popular vehicle for publicizing and raising funds for any number of social causes ranging from cannabis legalization, to the prevention of animal cruelty, to the plight of Tibetans after the Dalai Lama's ouster, to AIDS awareness. The issue of abortion has spawned several benefit shows with proceeds either going to pro-choice causes ("Rock for Choice," featuring big-name bands like L7) or anti-choice causes ("Rock for Life," featuring lesser-known bands like Nirvana—a right-wing group not to be confused with punkers Kurt, Dave, and Chris).

In the pro-choice vein of tradition, the Mary Washington-VA chapter of NARAL (National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League) held a benefit concert on the evening of Monday, Mar. 24 in the Underground. The three bands featured—Clark's Ditch, Fannycracker, and The Union Deposit Road—played for free so that the proceeds could go directly to help the new local chapter of NARAL get off the ground.

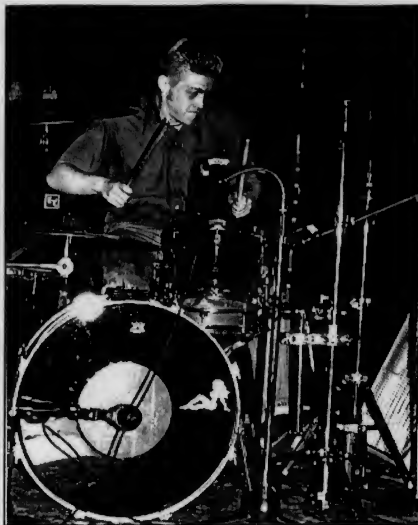
NARAL members had an information table set up, providing showgoers with free condoms, stickers, and informational literature.

"The most important thing we're trying to do is raise awareness and educate the campus on issues like birth control and STD

awareness. Right now Virginia is experiencing a major backlash against reproductive rights, so it's important for us to do something," said Jessie Evans, Mary Washington junior and NARAL publicity chair. "Apathy is the worst kind of stagnation."

It was difficult to tell whether audience members had come to join this fight against apathy or to see a bargain-basement, three-bands-for-three-bucks show. Or do both. Whatever the case, almost 100 people showed up, raising a healthy sum for the nascent NARAL.

The first band to play was Clark's Ditch, a local four-piece who has grown recently both in popularity and in polish. However, it's still difficult to know what to make of them. The drummer, bassist, and guitarist stayed firmly in the background for most of the set, ostensibly giving singer Zoey Rawlins free reign to do whatever she



Above: Patrick Q. Mucklow of The Union Deposit Road plays a drum solo at the NARAL benefit Monday night in The Underground.

photos by Karen Pearlman

liked. The problem is, she didn't do all that much to keep the audience's attention save singing and some stilled shimmying. The Ditch sauntered half-heartedly through a set that included songs like "Motorcade" and "The Ballad of Cocaine Bill" culled from their recent and admirably self-released CD

"Trataglamoron." Although one still has the sense that Miss Rawlins doesn't quite know what to do with herself, her stage presence has improved in the last year. Her voice has also improved, having increased in listenability from an atonal screech to a more palatable blend of Hole's Courtney Love, Tilt's Cinder Block, and early Kim Gordon (Sonic Youth). However, it would be nice to see Miss Rawlins at least play the tambourine or something instead of playing the hood ornament

on the Clark's Ditch car.

The next band to play, Fannycracker, is a local five-piece featuring two lead singers. Although more energetic than Clark's Ditch, their sound is more formulaic, obviously influenced by the present wave of *an courant* hip-hop/thrash bands like Rage Against the Machine and 311. The "Cracker's guitarist and one of its singers sported red T-shirts on Monday night—perhaps to show their solidarity with the communist-friendly Rage?

With their speed-metal drumming and ear-drum-hostile bass, Fannycracker certainly lived things up a little in the Underground, and that's no mean feat. If only the two angry-young-man singers would articulate more so the audience could comprehend exactly what they are singing/ rapping so earnestly about.

Where articulation is concerned, The Union Deposit Road's lead singer Corey Q. Greenelch has made leaps and bounds. The "Road" was the last band to play on Monday night, giving credence to the old adage of saving the best for last.

An area band recently downsized from four to three members, The Union Deposit Road doesn't seem to be suffering terribly from the loss of their second guitarist. Mr. Greenelch handled both singing and guitar

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Distinguished Visitor is "Out of Control"

By Francis Virginia Gaffney

Bullet Staff Writer

The bane of independent filmmaker Errol Morris' life seems to be that he has more bizarre stories than resources to put them all on celluloid.

Take, for example, the story Morris calls "Whatever Happened To Einstein's Brain?" He'd wanted to do a film back in the Eighties about the theft of Einstein's brain by a young pathologist who later gave away small pieces of it. But, as Morris explained, "No one would go near it."

Morris had pitched the story to PBS, among other networks, in the hopes that they would fund the project, but was repeatedly disappointed with their responses. "The thing is, I really wanted a piece of it on my desk," he said, half smiling over his lunch.

As the Alumni Association's 1996-97 Distinguished Visitor in Residence, Morris arrived on campus March 4 and proceeded to entertain students, faculty and Fredericksburg with his stories until his flight back to Boston the following day.

"I kept on apologizing, almost, for the packed schedule," said Cynthia Snyder, director of alumni relations, "and he kept saying, 'You know, it's such a nice departure from what I normally do, that this is a real nice break and I'm really enjoying it.'"

"Snyder continued, "By the end of the visit, on Wednesday... when we went to go to the airport, he said 'Wow, I've been talking a lot, haven't I?'" Yes, he had been, but nobody seemed to mind at all.

"I thought he was just wonderful," said Steve Watkins, assistant professor of English. "He was a real raconteur—he certainly loves to tell stories and has wonderful stories to tell."

Morris had visited several classrooms upon the request of the professors to talk to their students about various topics of interest. For Watkins' journalism class, one of the topics was Ed Gein, the serial killer who had inspired Robert Bloch to write "Psycho."

"I thought it was real interesting, too, that he was talking about talking to Ed Gein, but he never said what Ed Gein had to say, which I found fascinating," Watkins continued. "But clearly that's material that he's been sitting on and hopefully someday will do something with."

What prompted the Alumni Association to invite Morris last fall was not the movies he had never made, but the movies he had made. The list of documentaries is short but nevertheless impressive, due to the quality and content of each.

"Gates of Heaven," "Vernon, Florida," "The Thin Blue Line" and "A Brief History of Time" were shown the week prior to Morris' arrival to allow

audiences a chance to become familiar with his works.

The Errol Morris film festival not only demonstrated the incredible range and uniqueness of the versatile filmmaker, but also prepared viewers for the screening of Morris' latest film, "Fast, Cheap and Out of Control," a culmination of all his previous works.

Morris calls it a "low concept" film, as opposed to Hollywood's idea of a "high concept" film (where the movie can be described in four words or less). He also calls it a "crazy elegy" for his deceased parents. Whatever you want to call it, it certainly cannot be described in four words or less.

"The form of 'Fast, Cheap and Out of Control' is possibly the most complex because it's doing so many things at once, although the idea of what it's trying to do once you're used to Errol Morris is very plain," says Gardner Campbell, assistant professor of English and a huge fan of Morris' work. "But the way it's structured is very interesting."

"It took a concerted year to get the thing together," Morris had said earlier. "Well, I wanted it to be a non-linear narrative. I wanted it to be a different kind of way of telling a story. But it occurred to me many, many times while I was making it that movies have stories for a reason, and by not having an easily identifiable story I could use as a spine of the movie, I was in big trouble."

"It was really hard to know how big the pieces should be, how to do the change-ups between one character and another, how much material to include about any one character at any one time—it's just a juggling match, the way I look at that movie," Morris concludes. "A kind of circus act, in itself."

Despite Morris' reservations about his latest work and his profuse apologies for the video format of the copy of "Fast, Cheap and Out of Control," the film speaks for itself.

Revolving around a lion tamer, a mole-rat lover, a robot maker and topiary gardener, the "story" takes on many dimensions.

"The image at the end of the topiary gardener," said Campbell, "holding those shears, walking through the rainstorm... there's a hopefulness there, and a persistence that's very moving. That last image, of his walking through that garden going to keep those green 'animals' alive, is a kind of crazy symbol of human persistence in the face of things that are clearly way beyond us."

During the question and answer session after the screening, someone raised a question about Morris' decision to include in the film a portion where his own voice is audible as he asks a question. It was the first time Morris allowed the audience to hear him ask a subject a question. Morris explained that as the filmmaker, it was his prerogative to do so.

Campbell suggests another reason. "I'll tell you what my wife said... see MORRIS, page 9



Laze's Scribblings

By Ryan A. MacMichael

Bullet Album Reviewer

I was toying with the idea of reviewing the band we saw at Laser Quest at Potomac Mills this past week. Submission, but I gave up (ducking tomatoes).

Aphex Twin — "Richard D. James Album"

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Richard D. James really is Aphex Twin—all by himself. All the bizarre sounds and epileptic beats you hear come from his head. Touted by many fans as a pure genius and by conservative critics as a load of crap, there's no denying that his sound is strictly his.

The latest release from Aphex Twin has a solidly sadistic sound, blending smooth basslines, spacy bubble samples, and ridiculous high-speed synth-rhythms on tracks like "4" and "Rock 824542.01." And though James has been labeled everything from "ambient" to "jungle" to "electra-synth," he evades classification perhaps better than any by jumping from straightforward 80's electro-pop to off-the-wall, frantic jungle.

The 15 tracks for this album were chosen from over 200 and, word is, since this album was released, another 200 have been recorded. James is a busy man.

Among the stand-outs is "Milkman," an ear-pleasing song with surprising (and semi-offensive) lyrics that aren't quite fit for newspaper. And, oddly, there's a track called "Inkey\$" (read INKEY STRING) which shows that James has been a techno-freak for a while—this is an old term used in the Apple II BASIC programming language.

Aphex Twin's fan base has grown over his many albums and should continue to do so with his latest. It may feel painful at first, but you'll grow to dig this album of unadulterated aural sodomy.

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WMWC Top Ten List

Place	Album	Artist
1	"Secret Samadhi"	Live
2	"Fashion Nugget"	Cake
3	"Private Parts"	Various Artists
4	"Lost Highway"	Various Artists
5	"8 Arms to Hold You With"	Veruca Salt
6	"More Joy, Less Shame"	Ani DiFranco
7	"50,000 B.C."	Shudder to Think
8	"Animal Rights"	Moby
9	"Ixnay on the Hombre"	The Offspring
10	"SAMPLATION"	SAMPLATION

The Top Ten List is compiled by the Music Dept. of WMWC and is determined by the amount of airplay an album receives by the DJs of the station. Questions? Please call the Bulletin at x1133 or WMWC at x1152.

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Friday, Mar. 28: Movie, "Ghosts of Mississippi," 10 p.m., \$1, Dodd Auditorium.

Saturday, Mar. 29: Movie, "Ghosts of Mississippi," 10 p.m., \$1, Dodd Auditorium.

Sunday, Mar. 30: Movie, "Evita," 10 p.m., \$1, Dodd Auditorium.

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Album Review

LIFE AFTER DEATH

By Yori Tondrowski
Buller Staff Writer

New York Police Department

suspect: Christopher Wallace, Jr.
alias: AKA- the notorious B.I.G.
AKA- Biggie Smalls

crime: March 25,—sellin' dope rhymes throughout the nation

record: narcotics possession
possession of narcotics with intent to distribute
suspect in "mad" homicides
assault with a deadly weapon
robbery
strong-arm robbery
felony possession of firearms
platinum album—"Ready To Die"
numerous sick singles

event: On March 25, the aforementioned hoodlum, deceased as of 3/9/97, was charged with releasing and selling narcotic and extremely addictive music to the hip-hop world.

details: The suspect was not seen but heard committing the crime. Identified vocal accomplices: Sean "Puffy"Combs, Jay-Z, R. Kelly, The Lox, Mase, 112, Too Short, DMC, Bone Thugs-N-Harmony and Lil' Kim.

report: Biggie released the double album on the 25th of March. 22 tracks of east coast sickness has infiltrated the streets. He was heard using weapons such as Diana Ross, Scooly D, Screamin' Jay Hawkins, and The Dramatics samples.

Known plotters of the crime include "Puffy" Combs, The RZA of The Wu-Tang Clan, Clark Kent, Havoc of Mobb Deep, Buck Wild, and DJ Premier.

Judge WhyT's remarks and comments:

This man is unquestionably, undoubtedly the symbol of real hip-hop in the 90's. He defines ingenious lyrics, sick beats, and an unbelievable style that addicts listeners from Brooklyn to Oakland. This album is just as dope as his first and establishes Tupac Shakur as nothing more than a pissy street chump. Biggie uses old school, west coast, and even Cleveland style in this masterpiece. There are no wack tracks whatsoever. Everything is butter, even the ominous "Going Back to Cali," and "You're Nobody (Till Somebody Kills You)." Any true hip-hop-head simultaneously mourns and celebrates this monumental achievement.

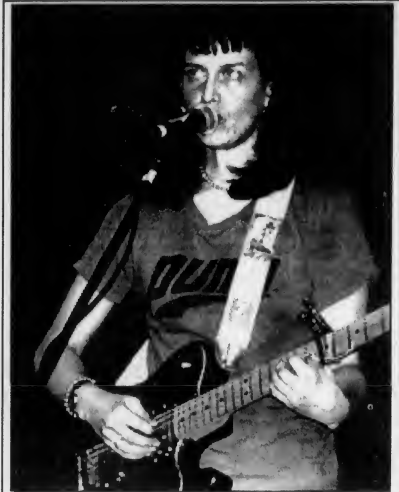
I can strongly say that "Life After Death" is the greatest accomplishment in music since Wu-Tang's "Enter the 36 Chambers," knowing full well that Wu-Tang will be arranged in late spring for their new album. Pay specific attention to the "Ten Crack Commandments," "Miss You," "Sky's the Limit," "The World Is Filled," "Kick In the Door," "Somebody's Got to Die," "My Downfall," "What's Beef?" and "I Got a Story to Tell." Obviously the whole album is the illest. I strongly recommend that the people of America buy this, listen to it, get their groove-ons, and cherish this as the last work of the modern American success story.

The Jury's verdict:

We find the defendant, Chistopher Wallace, Jr., guilty of the aforementioned charge of being the fattest MC to hit the spot in the 90's. In respect to this charge, we sentence Mr. Wallace to a lifetime of infamy in the world of hip-hop. He will be forever remembered as the creator, and mad daps innovator of street life.

We insist that every listener not dwell on the death of BIGGIE as tragedy but merely a fulfillment of the sad, cruel world that created this special person. Finally, mad props to BIGGIE's family, his legacy, and the man that he was.

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Benna's a Winna!

In honor of Women's History Month, girl-power band Benna played for free in the Underground the evening of Sunday, Mar. 23. Here, Benna herself rocks out on guitar.

Photo by Diana May

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She said she was very startled and interested that Morris asked Hoover, the lion tamer, "Do you miss Clyde Beatty?" And as soon as that question came out, the question popped into her head, "Who do you miss, Errol Morris?" And then the film ends, and you get the dedication to his stepfather and his mother. And she said, "Ah!"

"It's a catalyst for the whole end of the film, and reframes everything we've seen up to then," Campbell said. "That's a critically important moment and I pray he does not take that out, because that's it, you know? That's it."

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on his own with the utmost competence and verve, although the wah solo on their classic "Fly Further (Into Light)," featured on their seven-inch, was sadly missed.

Ping-ponging deftly from older tunes like "Fly Further," "Starfish," and "Junky" to *nouveautés* like "Siren City, Baby" and "American Rock Classic," the 'Road delivered its standard mix of elaborate and elegant drums (by Patrick Q. Mucklow), poetically ambiguous lyrics, strong and complementary basslines (courtesy of Stephen Moore), and beautifully complex guitar—elements fans have come to expect.

"As always, I was impressed with The Union Deposit Road. They have a different sound than most of what I listen to, but I like their music and they have a powerful stage presence," said sophomore Meghan Hoffmann.

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Here are this week's Movie Game matches:

This one is pretty easy:

Kristen Scott Thomas and Nicole Kidman

Here's one that's a little harder:

Tupac Shakur and Melanie Griffith

Do you have any matches you would like to see in the Bulletin? Make up your own and send them to box 604 with the solutions.

Here are the answers to last week's puzzles, provided by Chevene Bray:

Chris O'Donnell and Dianne Wiest

Chris O'Donnell - Gene Hackman (The Chamber); Gene Hackman - Dianne Wiest (The Birdcage);

Paul Sorvino and Jackie Gleason

Paul Sorvino - Robert DeNiro (Good Fellas);

Robert DeNiro - Dustin Hoffman (Sleepers); Dustin Hoffman - Teri Garr (Tootsie); Teri Garr - Gene Wilder (Young Frankenstein); Gene Wilder - Richard Pryor (See No Evil Hear No Evil); Richard Pryor - Jackie Gleason (Toy);

Send your solutions, and puzzle suggestions to the Bulletin at box 604 - Just write it down and drop it in the Campus Mail slot with our number. Next week we will print the answers and give two more exciting movie matches. Oh, and don't forget to put your name on it!

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over. The buck stops with him. It is not too late to make proactive change and feel the students' pain.

We wish to pose a rhetorical question to you, the students: Whatever happened to MWC being "of the students, by the students, and for the students?" Our campus and our pride have slowly disintegrated

into nothingness as our hopes have been lost to the deep abyss of administrative policy.

We have labored long and hard to extract some semblance of an explanation from our administration. Unfortunately, all we have heard in response are the harsh sounds of silence.

There is no longer room for apathy nor disinterest on the part of the students population.

We may have lost a few key battles recently, but the war is yet to be won.

Larissa Lipani is a junior and Wendy Gehring is a senior at MWC.

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growing frustration with the lack of minority representation.

"There is not a large community of black academics and so at department meetings and faculty meetings I felt like I was among a small handful of people bringing up these issues. I didn't come here for that. I came here to teach creative writing," said Lewis. "But if I'm at a meeting and nobody is addressing something, I can't sit back and not say anything. It got tiresome after awhile."

Lewis recently wrote a memo on ways in which Mary Washington can better recruit and retain faculty of color. He distributed it to the Dean of Faculty and throughout the English department.

Some of the suggestions are small:
 • "Don't book candidates in the Hampton Inn (boycotted by the NAACP)"

Some of the suggestions were more broad:
 • "We must be more proactive; try to orient ourselves to the perspective of faculty of color"

Tiffany Hill was a Resident Assistant. She worked with the Student Government Association, Hall Council, Black

Students Association, Student Transition Program and Voices of Praise.

As a senior she and five other students met with president Anderson to address concerns about the need for greater diversity and sensitivity in matters of race. She suggested campus wide sensitivity training and better representation on the Council of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations.

Hill gave credit to Anderson for letting them air their concerns about the quality of life for students of color on campus.

"He seemed very receptive to us and I got the feeling that he was really listening, that he really cared."

She says though she doesn't know if anything at the college has changed since she graduated.

"I really have no idea what's going on there," said Hill. "I think a lot of African Americans appreciate the academic experience at Mary Washington and then they move on and do other things."

She attributed her lack of connection as an alumni to her experiences as a student.

"I never really felt a part of the school," she said. "Until the college actually puts out an effort toward

diversification, they're going to turn out alumni just like me."

"I'm not going to go back there for any events like Alumni weekend. I left with a very bitter taste in my mouth. I just wanted to get out."

In the 1980's, the state of Virginia was required by the U.S. Department of Justice to more fully integrate higher education. Partly in response, Anderson created a new position at MWC, executive assistant to the president in charge of affirmative action. In 1988, Brenda King assumed this position.

"I only accepted the position with assurances that they were going to take affirmative action seriously. It became very clear after one year that they were not serious," said King.

King said that before her term a consultant surveyed students, faculty, administration, and staff at Mary Washington. The survey uncovered problems with race relations on campus so King implemented a campus wide sensitivity training seminar to alleviate some of the tensions. King says that she was the only black on the president's cabinet staff, and that she found him to be inept

and unresponsive to all initiatives toward a more comfortable environment for people of color on campus. She said she felt angry and depressed in her position.

"I was sick and tired of being in the position where when I wanted to get something accomplished, I always felt like the bad guy. The administration felt very uncomfortable when anyone showed them they needed to change something; they were more comfortable walking around in a state of denial."

King moved to a position in international programs in 1991 and retired from Mary Washington in 1995.

Are these three minority accounts the norm or the exception at Mary Washington College? Is the college pursuing and successfully accomplishing diversity on campus?

In the next five weeks, the Bulletin will publish a series of articles seeking answers to these questions.

Next week: Minority Student Groups at Mary Washington. Statistics and Quality of Life.

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to the presence of the Rescuers during Junior Ring Week. Clinton McCarthy, Class Council junior class president, feels that the presence of the Rescuers will encourage harsher attacks.

"The mere fact that we have the Rescuers adds to the expectation that harassment will occur," McCarthy said.

"Student backlash to the Rescuers may be worse than treatment of the juniors," Lupani said. "I hope it works but I have my own reservations about it."

Junior Mike Depinto said that he would not want to be saved by a Rescuer if he was the butt of a prank.

"I for one would rather be mauled by a group of a hundred people I don't even know than be rescued by some tool in a red rescue shirt. This school, administration

and students, just needs to relax," DePinto said.

The back of the red shirts will contain a phrase that Surita dubbed, "The Three R's": Respect yourself, Respect each other, and Respect this place. Surita feels that this is in line with Mary Washington College's self-determination policy.

"It's basically saying to the community, 'Take responsibility for yourself.' It's within [students'] hands to make sure this is a good Junior Ring Week," Surita said.

McCarthy feels that self-determination means that students should be able to decide where to draw the line when they are involved with practical jokes.

"It shouldn't be up to an individual wearing a red shirt [to say] what is harassment and what isn't," McCarthy

said.

While the Junior Ring Ceremony at Mary Washington College dates back to the 1930's, the festivities did not become a week-long celebration until the 1970's, according to William Crawley, professor of history and Mary Washington College historian.

Students originally honored the juniors by giving them gifts during the week, according to Chirico.

Rucker, who attended Mary Washington College from 1977-81, recalled his friends pranking him by switching all of the jackets of records he had lined up to play in his radio show at WMWC.

Rucker said only one day was designated to prank the juniors during Junior Ring Week when he was a student. Mary Washington College is one of a few schools

nationwide that still celebrates the Junior Ring Week tradition. The Junior Ring Week at Randolph Macon College in Ashland, Va. involves freshmen presenting the rings to the juniors and sending them notes and serenades throughout the week.

During Junior Ring Week at Mary Washington College, Class Council will host a number of events starting with coffee and live music at the Underground on Monday, March 31 and culminating with the Junior Ring Dance on Saturday, April 5 at 9 p.m. in the Great Hall.

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Walking the Thin Line Between Harrassment and Pranks During Ring Week

By Michelle Trombetta
and Clinton McCarthy
Guest Columnists

It would not be the dawn of a Junior Ring Week without the administrative powers that be discussing certain events of the week.

Each year, the administration tries to take steps which are meant to deter what they consider excessive behavior, resulting in a greater focus on the pranks rather than the daily events.

The week is a celebration in honor of the Juniors. This celebration is marked by both the "special attention" they receive from the non-Juniors and the Class Council events

sponsored during the week.

The administration's memorandums highlighting the pranks provokes rather than deters non-Juniors. Perhaps directing their focus to the sponsored events would have a greater impact on their cause.

Class Council wants Junior Ring Week to be a success. We believe that it takes the entire community to make any program successful.

A few simple measures can be taken to assure the success of this tradition for years to come. These measures should be implemented by the student body rather than through administrative action.

"Self-Determination" should be fostered by the students and staff rather than be a catch phrase used only when it benefits school authority. The primary source of pranks are

the friends of the juniors. It is essential for the individual who will bear the brunt of the gag to communicate to his or her friend the extent to which they can act.

What is and is not harassment should be determined by the

"We are all adults and need to learn how to relate to one another without the benefit or hindrance of people in a position of oversight."

individuals involved. We are all adults and need to learn how to relate to one another without the benefit or hindrance of people in a position of

oversight.

Avenues of recourse should be made manifest to any individual who believes they have been wronged.

They have, or have access to, a student handbook in which they can determine the proper procedures to take, whether it involves the Peer Judicial Board, Honor Council, or the Campus Police.

The Rescuers, a group of individuals who are to help juniors in need, must be a reactive group in that they should act when they are called upon. It is not their place in our community to tell us what is and what is not harassment.

Guidelines regarding the

destruction of school property during Junior Ring Week aren't any different than the ones that have been in place all year. These guidelines are pretty clear on what constitutes destruction of school property.

Again, it is our hope that Residence Life Staff will react just like the rescuers when people call upon them.

While R.A.'s and other Residence Life officials may have definite opinions on what is and is not harassment, their thoughts are merely opinions.

Harassment is when one has been made to feel uncomfortable or as though their rights have been violated. Therefore, definition and determination of harassment lies solely upon the individual, and not upon the conduits of administration.

Class Council wants to foster an environment that will produce a great Junior Ring week.

On the issue of pranks, we hope that people will continue to come up with new and innovative gags like they always do. Although we would be hard pressed to cite an example, we realize that the potential for acts of harassment exists.

In order to off-set such inappropriate instances, we encourage all juniors to set their own boundaries on what is right and what is wrong with their friends. This is the best and only effective way of preventing any violations of ones rights.

Michelle Trombetta is the senior class council president and Clinton McCarthy is the junior class president

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wear flashy clothes, and not all of them enjoy Michael Bolton, exotic art, or James Dean videos. Over 25 million people in the US are predominantly homosexual. Chances are Mr. Burris has met at least one of them, but because they do not conform to these stereotypes, he probably was not aware of their sexuality.

Third, the assertion that it is not safe for homosexuals to donate blood is a dangerous myth to be perpetuating. Many organizations have spent a lot of time debunking the myth that AIDS is a homosexual disease. In fact, the fastest rate of contraction is among college-aged heterosexual women.

Fourth, generally, the largest

population of dress-wearing homosexuals are women. End of story. In a survey conducted by *Transvesti* magazine of their subscribers, it was found that 90 percent of those who practice transvestism are heterosexual.

Homosexuals are not more or less likely than heterosexuals to be Christians, deserving of medals of

honor, or whiners. In fact, there really is not much difference at all between homosexuals and heterosexuals. We have confidence that the MWC community understands this better than it seems Mr. Burris does.

Sarah Boyer on behalf of the Human Relations Peer Educators

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be fair for all those involved. Let's make it a tradition at Mary

Washington College to have all functions non-alcoholic. I feel that this is the only possible compromise.

All we ask is that if you take away our rights, you take away yours as well.

Sandy Tennyson is a sophomore at MWC.

Women's History Defended

By Inger Brinck
Guest Columnist

I would like to respond to Professor Ehrle's comments on my initial letter concerning the murals in Monroe Hall. I would aspire to achieve the ideals which the cornucopia and scales symbolize, but the patriarchy has made it so difficult, that as a woman and half-Asian, I see mockery in such representations; it is propaganda.

It is a reminder of what my race and gender has not been able to achieve because of the very institution which so proudly boasts such wonderful ideals.

The problem with interpreting the cornucopia and scales and red caps as symbols of freedom and justice is not because I do not understand that that is what those symbols have been prescribed to represent, but because the symbols are not depicted alone — they are placed within a context that objectifies women.

The objectification of women; using women at the patriarchy's leisure has been and continues to be a dangerous obstacle in the struggle for many women to obtain those tempting ideals, so delicately camouflaged in cornucopias and scales. This false reality is propaganda, and the murals in Monroe, regardless of the artists' intentions, are only a small part of the systemized erasure of women's existence.

Indeed the artists were women, but women have been manipulated to understand themselves within a specific capacity under the

patriarchy, and within that mentality, those women women certainly did not intend to misrepresent or ultimately degrade themselves. Now we are faced with the realization that patriarchal oppression is inextricably intertwined within every aspect of life in this society; it grips us within a vice of unfortunate conflict in that we are not clear on how to deal with such important issues.


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growing frustration with the lack of minority representation.

"There is not a large community of black academics and so all department meetings and faculty meetings I felt like I was among a small handful of people bringing up these issues. I didn't come here for that. I came here to teach creative writing," said Lewis. "But if I'm at a meeting and nobody is addressing something, I can't sit back and not say anything. It got tiresome after awhile."

Lewis recently wrote a memo on ways in which Mary Washington can better recruit and retain faculty of color. He distributed it to the Dean of Faculty and throughout the English department.

Some of the suggestions are small: "Don't book candidates in the Hampton Inn (boycotted by the NAACP)"

Some of the suggestions were more broad: "We must be more proactive; try to orient ourselves to the perspective of faculty of color"

Tiffany Hill was a Resident Assistant. She worked with the Student Government Association, Hall Council, Black

Students Association, Student Transition Program and Voices of Praise.

As a senior she and five other students met with president Anderson to address concerns about the need for greater diversity and sensitivity in matters of race. She suggested campus wide sensitivity training and better representation on the Council of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations.

Hill gave credit to Anderson for letting them air their concerns about the quality of life for students of color on campus.

"He seemed very receptive to us and I got the feeling that he was really listening, that he really cared."

She says though she doesn't know if anything at the college has changed since she graduated.

"I really have no idea what's going on there," said Hill. "I think a lot of African Americans appreciate the academic experience at Mary Washington and then they move on and do other things."

She attributed her lack of connection as an alumni to her experiences as a student.

"I never really felt a part of the school," she said. "Until the college actually puts out an effort toward

diversification, they're going to turn out alumni just like me."

"I'm not going to go back there for any events like Alumni weekend. I left with a very bitter taste in my mouth. I just wanted to get out."

In the 1980's, the state of Virginia was required by the U.S. Department of Justice to more fully integrate higher education. Partly in response, Anderson created a new position at MWC, executive assistant to the president in charge of affirmative action. In 1988, Brenda King assumed this position.

"I only accepted the position with assurances that they were going to take affirmative action seriously. It became very clear after one year that they were not serious," said King.

King said that before her term a consultant surveyed students, faculty, administration, and staff at Mary Washington. The survey uncovered problems with race relations on campus so King implemented a campus wide sensitivity training seminar to alleviate some of the tensions. King says that she was the only black on the president's cabinet staff, and that she found him to be inept

and unresponsive to all initiatives toward a more comfortable environment for people of color on campus. She said she felt angry and depressed in her position.

"I was sick and tired of being in the position where when I wanted to get something accomplished, I always felt like the bad guy. The administration felt very uncomfortable when anyone showed them they needed to change something; they were more comfortable walking around in a state of denial."

King moved to a position in international programs in 1991 and retired from Mary Washington in 1995.

Are these three minority accounts the norm or the exception at Mary Washington College? Is the college pursuing and successfully accomplishing diversity on campus?

In the next five weeks, the Bulletin will publish a series of articles seeking answers to these questions.

Next week: Minority Student Groups at Mary Washington. Statistics and Quality of Life.

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to the presence of the Rescuers during Junior Ring Week. Clinton McCarthy, Class Council junior class president, feels that the presence of the Rescuers will encourage harsher attacks.

"The mere fact that we have the Rescuers adds to the expectation that harassment will occur," McCarthy said.

"Student backlash to the Rescuers may be worse than treatment of the juniors," Lupani said. "I hope it works but I have my own reservations about it."

Junior Mike Depinto said that he would not want to be saved by a Rescuer if he was the butt of a prank.

"I for one would rather be mauled by a group of a hundred people I don't even know than be rescued by some tool in a red rescue shirt. This school, administration

and students, just needs to relax," DePinto said.

The back of the red shirts will contain a phrase that Surita dubbed, 'The Three R's': Respect yourself, Respect each other, and Respect this place. Surita feels that this is in line with Mary Washington College's self-determination policy.

"It's basically saying to the community, 'Take responsibility for yourself.' It's within [students'] hands to make sure this is a good Junior Ring Week," Surita said.

McCarthy feels that self-determination means that students should be able to decide where to draw the line when they are involved with practical jokes.

"It shouldn't be up to an individual wearing a red shirt [to say] what is harassment and what isn't," McCarthy

said.

While the Junior Ring Ceremony at Mary Washington College dates back to the 1930's, the festivities did not become a week-long celebration until the 1970's, according to William Crawley, professor of history and Mary Washington College historian.

Students originally honored the juniors by giving them gifts during the week, according to Chirico.

Rucker, who attended Mary Washington College from 1977-81, recalled his friends pranking him by switching all of the jackets of records he had lined up to play in his radio show at WMWC.

Rucker said only one day was designated to prank the juniors during Junior Ring Week when he was a student. Mary Washington College is one of a few schools

nationwide that still celebrates the Junior Ring Week tradition. The Junior Ring Week at Randolph Macon College in Ashland, Va. involves freshmen presenting the rings to the juniors and sending them notes and seranades throughout the week.

During Junior Ring Week at Mary Washington College, Class Council will host a number of events starting with coffee and live music at the Underground on Monday, March 31 and culminating with the Junior Ring Dance on Saturday, April 5 at 9 p.m. in the Great Hall.

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Walking the Thin Line Between Harrassment and Pranks During Ring Week

By Michelle Trombetta
and Clinton McCarthy
Guest Columnists

It would not be the dawn of a Junior Ring Week without the administrative powers that be discussing certain events of the week.

Each year, the administration tries to take steps which are meant to deter what they consider excessive behavior, resulting in a greater focus on the pranks rather than the daily events.

sponsored during the week.

The administration's memorandums highlighting the pranks provokes rather than deters non-Juniors. Perhaps directing their focus to the sponsored events would have a greater impact on their cause.

Class Council wants Junior Ring Week to be a success. We believe that it takes the entire community to make any program successful.

A few simple measures can be taken to assure the success of this tradition for years to come. These measures should be implemented by the student body rather than through administrative action.

"Self-Determination" should be fostered by the students and staff rather than be a catch phrase used only when it benefits school authority.

The primary source of pranks are

the friends of the juniors. It is essential for the individual who will bear the brunt of the gag to communicate to his or her friend the extent to which they can act.

What is and is not harassment should be determined by the

oversight.

Avenues of recourse should be made manifest to any individual who believes they have been wronged.

They have, or have access to, a student handbook in which they can determine the proper procedures to take, whether it involves the Peer Judicial Board, Honor Council, or the Campus Police.

The Rescuers, a group of individuals who are to help juniors in need, must be a reactive group in that they should act when they are called upon. It is not their place in our community to tell us what is and what is not harassment.

Guidelines regarding the

destruction of school property during Junior Ring Week aren't any different than the ones that have been in place all year. These guidelines are pretty clear on what constitutes destruction of school property.

Again, it is our hope that Residence Life Staff will react just like the rescuers when people call upon them.

While R.A.'s and other Residence Life officials may have definite opinions on what is and is not harassment, their thoughts are merely opinions.

Harassment is when one has been made to feel uncomfortable or as though their rights have been violated. Therefore, definition and determination of harassment lies solely upon the individual, and not upon the conduits of administration.

Class Council wants to foster an environment that will produce a great Junior Ring week.

On the issue of pranks, we hope that people will continue to come up with new and innovative gags like they always do. Although we would be hard pressed to cite an example, we realize that the potential for acts of harassment exists.

In order to off-set such inappropriate instances, we encourage all juniors to set their own boundaries on what is right and what is wrong with their friends. This is the best and only effective way of preventing any violations of ones rights.

Michelle Trombetta is the senior class council president and Clinton McCarthy is the junior class president

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wear flashy clothes, and not all of them enjoy Michael Bolton, exotic art, or James Dean videos. Over 25 million people in the US are predominantly homosexual. Chances are Mr. Burris has met at least one of them, but because they do not conform to these stereotypes, he probably was not aware of their sexuality.

Third, the assertion that it is not safe for homosexuals to donate blood is a dangerous myth to be perpetuating. Many organizations have spent a lot of time debunking the myth that AIDS is a homosexual disease. In fact, the fastest rate of contraction is among college-aged heterosexual women.

Fourth, generally, the largest

population of dress-wearing homosexuals are women. End of story. In a survey conducted by Transvesti magazine of their subscribers, it was found that 90 percent of those who practice transvestism are heterosexual.

Homosexuals are not more or less likely than heterosexuals to be Christians, deserving of medals of

honor, or whiners. In fact, there really is not much difference at all between homosexuals and heterosexuals. We have confidence that the MWC community understands this better than it seems Mr. Burris does.

Sarah Boyer on behalf of the Human Relations Peer Educators

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be fair for all those involved. Let's make it a tradition at Mary

Washington College to have all functions non-alcoholic. I feel that this is the only possible compromise.

All we ask is that if you take away our rights, you take away yours as well.

Sandy Tennyson is a sophomore at MWC.

Women's History Defended

By Inger Brinck
Guest Columnist

I would like to respond to Professor Ehrle's comments on my initial letter concerning the murals in Monroe Hall. I would aspire to achieve the ideals which the cornucopia and scales symbolize, but the patriarchy has made it so difficult, that as a woman and half-Asian, I see mockery in such representations; it is propaganda. It is a reminder of what my race and gender has not been able to achieve because of the very institution which so proudly boasts such wonderful ideals.

The problem with interpreting the cornucopia and scales and red caps as symbols of freedom and justice is not because I do not understand that that is what those symbols have been prescribed to represent, but because the symbols are not depicted alone—they are placed within a context that objectifies women.

The objectification of women; using women at the patriarchy's leisure has been and continues to be a dangerous obstacle in the struggle for many women to obtain those tempting ideals, so delicately camouflaged in cornucopias and scales. This false reality is propaganda, and the murals in Monroe, regardless of the artists' intentions, are only a small part of the systemized erasure of women's existence.

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patriarchy, and within that mentality, these women were certainly did not intend to misrepresent or ultimately degrade themselves. Now we are faced with the realization that patriarchal oppression is inextricably intertwined within every aspect of life in this society; it grips us within a vice of unfortunate conflict in that we are not clear on how to deal with such important issues.

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The Parting Shots

by Zak Billmeier & Brian Schumacher

Finding themselves on the wrong end of The Gun one more time...

1. Roy Jones, Jr.

"Pound for pound, the best fighter in the world today." That's the label most often attached to Roy Jones, Jr., the boxer who got blatantly robbed of a deserved gold medal in Seoul and who held the world light heavyweight title until he was disqualified last week. Actually, all being pound for pound the best fighter means is that Butterbean could kick his ass, even though Jones has better moves.

Pound for pound the best, but not the most intelligent (a relative term in boxing). Jones was disqualified, and rightly so, because he hit his opponent in the head while the guy was on his knee. Come on, Roy, fight fair.

2. Todd Marinovich

The former Golden Boy Quarterback of USC was in the news this week. Marinovich, who was supposed to be lighting up the NFL by now, was caught lighting something else up this week. Marinovich was charged with possession of marijuana and various drug paraphernalia after police searched his home.

Sure, Marinovich often looked like he was high when he was on the field, but we never thought he actually was. Well, at least now we know why Bam Morris used his one phone call when he was in prison to call Marinovich... "Hey, Todd, I think I'll be a little late tonight. Tell Irvin I've got his money."

3. Boston Sports

Call the FBI, the fix is in. Someone had better be investigating, because there is no way in hell the Bruins and Celtics are as bad as they've been playing. The Bruins traded away three of their top players (The best athlete ever to come out of RPI Adam Oates, tough guy Rick Tocchet, and former Stanley Cup MVP Bill Ranford), in exchange for a couple whose nerves are shot (Jim Carey), a never will be named Jason Allison, and Anson Carter (who might develop

into a solid NHL player but won't help the Bruins much for another year or two). Well, at least the Bruins can say that they helped the Caps get into the playoffs.

The situation with the once proud Celtics is even worse. The Celtics are in a tight race for the worst record in the NBA. Only the Vancouver Grizzlies stand in their way. At high, boys! Don't worry, Rick Fox can just carry the team on his back all the way to the No. 1 pick in the draft.

The only question now is whether or not the team is tanking the games on purpose or if they just suck that bad. This is a tough call. While it is somewhat hard to believe that they are as bad as they seem, it could indeed be possible. Remember the Bullets a few years ago? But here is another theory (which has been mysteriously overlooked by the powers that be): The Medallion Cartel seeks to buy the franchises.

They have infiltrated the rosters of both teams with performance-suppressing drugs, thus diminishing their performance, thus decreasing the value of the franchises. Elementary, my dear Watson.

Oh by the way... a memo to the Lizard: Neither a world without The Gun, nor a Papal edict, would allow the Red Sox to win the series.

4. The Lizard

Every paper needs a tough guy, we suppose, and since the Lizard will now get that title by default, we agree completely with their jealous, vindictive tact in this week's column. Sure! We'll watch the Gun retire, inherit the title of coolest Bullet column, and then kick them in the ass on the way out the door. Then, we'll go outside and stomp and stomp and stomp them again as they lie there defenseless and unarmed.

Hey, it could've been different, Lizard. Who was it that found you rotting in the stream outside Seacobeck living off Smack and half-eaten Ding-Dongs. We brought you up here, dammit! This is the thanks we get? Who came to your defense after you were caught in the Twi-Lite Motel with that Cub Scout troupe and

that Zimmers girl? Well we've had enough! By the way, why were all these sheep running around the office last week?

Well, we tried to work out a peace with you time and time again, but the time for peace has come and gone.

One last shout out to Cutty Sark. Level the barrel out... cash'er down... *Do you see the beauty? Well enough Mr. Moneybags!*

* Please, we're going to the Enquirer with the best. And my Awards pictures of you and Richard Stone. We want to end this way, but we can't.

Michael Irvin
Michael Irvin didn't do anything wrong. We just figured that our readers would like to have the complete without him.

6. The Next Chapter

Zak Billmeier plans to open a chain of steakhouses in India. They've got a lot of cows," he says. "With all my geography training, I've become quite savvy toward the location of businesses and resources." After that, he plans to write for the Home Shopping Network and hopefully direct some infomercials. "I was bitten by the Hollywood bug long ago," he says.

Brian "Flex" Schumacher also has big plans for life after college. He plans to travel extensively. While he denies that he is currently the target of a CIA investigation, rumor is that he was caught using the alias of Juan Alfonso de Colombo over spring break while obtaining an entrance visa to Tibet. "Hey, I've got to stay on the move, my friend. Remember, never become too attached to anything in your life that you can't drop in 30 seconds flat when you feel the heat around the corner."

7. Thanks

We'd like to thank everyone who has allowed this column to be possible (yes, that includes Michael Irvin).

We hope you've enjoyed it! Thanks for reading.

--- Zak and Brian

The Gun has been holstered.

Here's a few Gun classics you may even remember. This first one came out around this time last year - and it is one that can go into the "timeless predictions" category. It was in the February 22, 1996 edition of the *Bullet*.

The First Sign of Spring

This week Major League Baseball experienced something it has not since 1994 - spring training. The pitchers and catchers reported first, arriving at their teams' camps in Arizona and Florida. Most all of the position players have followed shortly thereafter, and once again all seems right with the world.

Baseball is perhaps the most unpredictable sport from year to year. The pitcher who led the league in wins last season might lead in number of homers given up. The career .200 hitter might turn into an all-star.

In this game of uncertainty, there are only a few things set in stone. 1) Marge Schott will offend some people. 2) Steve Howe will try to buy some cocaine. 3) Steve Howe will get caught trying to buy some cocaine. 4) George Steinbrenner will fire the Yankees manager

(whoever the hell that might be at the time).

5) Some schmuck will try to come back and be an all-star again when he should've just stayed at home sitting in his La-Z-Boy. 6) Albert Belle will be an ass.

7) Some team that has a payroll of \$0 billion dollars will play more like they're the Pittsburgh Pirates. Early favorite for this dubious distinction - the Baltimore Orioles.

8) Cal Ripken will get caught in some scandal involving Mary Washington professor (just a joke, no nasty letters, please). 9) There will be the proverbial butler of mediocre hacks and should the leaguers masquerade as a popular sport, it will be because the league is so lame.

10) The Brewers will have a "Bud Szig Appreciation Day" this season. 11) Cleveland will win the season. 12) Take it to the bank. 13) Randy Johnson will be the MVP by being named People Magazine's Sexiest Man of the Year. 14) Nomo will be deported.

Brace yourselves, folks, if it's not a wild summer (well, it there isn't another strike, of course).

*Okay, so it wasn't the Indians, but it was the Yankees is six. Pretty close. This next one is the first of a series we did on mascots last year. It appeared in the November 9, 1995 edition of the *Bullet*.*

The Mascot Violence Epidemic (MVE)

In the wake of the White Ribbon Campaign comes the new fads in sports - beating the ever-loving shit out of team mascots. We have labeled this MVE because it has

spread quickly and is apparently very contagious. The CDC in Atlanta and USAMRIID have been notified of its presence and are haggling over who gets to sniff it out, so in the meantime we have to grin and bear it.

We have followed the stories of Benny Beaver and the Anaheim Duck, but the tale of the carnage only begins there. Benny was brutalized for the second time in three weeks when the beaver was slugged in the face in a game against Arizona. Benny was still named by Henri Hollen, a 5'9", 135-pound Oregon State coed. She was accosted this time by 6'5", 305-pound lineman Frank Middleton. Still, Mari continues to prove she's the toughest Beaver around.

We called Mari's sorority house at OSU (Kappa Delta) to try and figure out just why she keeps getting pummeled. One of Mari's sisters said that she wasn't giving any interviews.

Undaunted, we tried the Athletic Department. We got Assistant Athletic Director Mike Collon. He pretended that he didn't know anything about the incidents, and then proved himself a fibber by saying that "the incidents are being handled by our Athletic Director, Dutch Bachman." Bachman was supposedly away at some conference.

The ALCS between the Seattle Mariners and the Cleveland Indians saw each mascot hit the canvas.

The Mariner Moose broke its ankle, while Chief Wahoo tore his ACL. No word yet on possible foul play, but we suspect the worse.

Bananas the University of Maine Black Bear was savagely attacked by a UMaine basketball player last week. This represents a new and frightening demographic: mascots that are victimized by the teams they represent. The Gun says that this is a form of domestic violence that may represent an outlier in domestic violence statistics, but one that cannot be overlooked.

Now, since popular entertainment has caught the MVE, too. A new ESPN Sports center plug has anchor Olympic anchor, ironically the show's lead analyst, bashing the queasy-looking Syracuse Orangemen as it followed him to his car. Maybe the sports center was just trying to ask ESPN to institute a moratorium on this new plague of the ebola of organized sport, the MVE.

Rumors say that MVE started in the Bronx, spread along the New York highway, and came to the attention of those in our society. How did it originate? We ask our readers two questions:

1. Who stood to gain from the creation and release of this horrible plague?

2. Who had the ability to make it happen?

The CIA? The Cubans? J. Edgar Hoover?

All three would be good, logical guesses. All three are dead wrong. MVE was planted by none other

than the San Diego Chicken. The Chicken's popularity and status had long been in decline. He was no longer getting the lucrative endorsements that he was used to, as the money was now going to the younger, increasingly popular new breed of mascot. This is a sad day for poultry, folks. The Chicken remains at large, although his agent has been talking to Oliver Stone.

The Gun would like to fire a salute to these underappreciated, costumed folks who bring team logos to life in undying support of their organizations. A mascot shouldn't have to take kickboxing classes just to put on a silly suit and act drunk during a game. No wonder the Eagle suit has been in a Goorlick closet for so long.

*Our obsession with abbreviations continued with the next segment, from the November 16, 1995 edition of the *Bullet*.*

The DAF

Don't you just hate it when some idiot picks up the football after a play has been whistled dead and runs upfield with it? This happens in every televised football game. The term "Dumbass" was assigned to the perpetrator of this offense by my roommate, Andrew Cox.

The only response by officials to the Dumbass to blow frantically on the whistle in hopes of blowing a clue into the player's thick skull. The guilty party doesn't feel badly for his sins, though, because he thinks that he is showing hustle and heads-up play, and his coach will praise him highly for it. Actually, the coach should suspend him indefinitely, depending on what we call "The Dumbass Factor" (DAF, because abbreviations are cool).

The Dumbass Factor is a tool by which league officials and coaches can determine the suspensions that will be doled out for the effrontery afforded them by the Dumbass himself. Here it is:

1. How long the play has been whistled dead.

2. How many more whistles it took for the Dumbass to stop.

3. Whether or not the ball was on the ground when the Dumbass picked it up.*

4. Whether or not the Dumbass argued.

5. Whether or not the initial call was a good one.

We are recommending an automatic ejection for the Dumbass and a fifteen-yard penalty and a loss of a down for the team. An automatic one-game suspension is also in order, with additional penalties coming from the extent of the DAF test. Professional players will be fined accordingly and ordered to join the United Way.

We ask that you faithful readers who are rabid football fans boo the Dumbass loudly in order to curb this annoying occurrence.

* I actually saw a Dumbass grab the ball out of the ref's hands and run upfield with it one time (true story).



THE LOUNGE LIZARD

In honor of this being the last issue in which the Smoking Gun will appear, the Lounge Lizard now looks to the future. What will life be like without Zak and Brian's pitiful scribbles? The answers are not as obvious as one would think (or are they)...

1. National Plague of Cheerfulness: Imagine the craziness of this scenario: People in New York holding the door open for one another. Clinton and Congress finally get together and pass the 27 Amendment, known to the public as the "Happiness Amendment," outlawing such trivial aspects of life as sadness, suffering, and Steve Urkel impersonations.

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Cartoon by Dave McKim

Men's Lacrosse Blitzes Shenandoah

By Annie Wise
Bulletin Staff Writer

Dick Clark and Ed McMahon were about the only thing missing from the bloopers show at the Battleground Wednesday afternoon. From broken sticks to stumbling referees, the scene looked comical at best. On the field, however, the MWC men's lacrosse team was stern and collected as they pelted Shenandoah University 12-4.

The Eagles, who have never lost to Shenandoah, held their opponent scoreless through the first half, not allowing a goal until 2:34 of the third period. MWC's swarming defense caused several Shenandoah turnovers, and refused the opponents any chance at a set offense. Coach Kurt Glaeser was particularly impressed by his unit's defense.

"Eric Gins, our goalie, played well.... Our defense played well. Those guys play their heads off," he said.

Though the defense itself may not have been active in the actual scoring, the turnovers they forced left the sluggish Shenandoah squad floundering during many quick-strike fast-break opportunities. One of these was a brilliant play by senior Kyle Aldrich, who earned a breakaway off a mid-air pick-off.

The Eagles also capitalized on their set offense, at one point holding possession in the box for over two minutes before rapid passing led to freshman midfielder Ryan Lynch's goal from attacker Risto Washington's quick lead. The offense in general has been more than a two-man game, though, according to junior Todd Eckle.

"The way our teamwork works is this—if one player scores, the whole team scores," he said.

While MWC displayed many assets in the Shenandoah game, including excellent shooting, passing,

and defense, Glaeser felt the team could have played better.

"We didn't pick up ground balls [today]," Glaeser said. "We got up, and then we lost our edge. Our midfielders weren't doing a good job...we were leaving people open because when we slide with the first man to double on the ball, the second guy wasn't in position to take the open man in the middle."

MWC's next opponent won't be so easy, at least according to Glaeser. MWC will face perennial powerhouse and CAC rival Salisbury State on Saturday to begin a three-game road stint. The Eagles hope for a strong showing against the Sea Gulls.

"This game [Shenandoah] gives us confidence going into a game against one of the best teams in the nation," said Aldrich.

The Eagles next home game is April 8th, when they will host Hampden-Sydney at 3:30.



MWC men's lacrosse is trying to break away from the CAC pack this year.

File photo.

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better work ethic [than last year] to last in the long run," said Guyton.

If that depth holds up, the Eagles could be on their way back to the NCAA Tournament. The Eagles are already 3-0 in CAC play, and have an impressive 18-6 mashing of well-regarded Greensboro College under their belts. This Friday the team faces a big challenge on the road to the NCAs as when they will host Ferrum College, ranked 10th in the nation.

Bullet Staff Final Four Picks:

Brian: Kentucky 78, North Carolina 73

Josh: Kentucky 85, North Carolina 82

Zak: North Carolina 73, Kentucky 70

Jason: North Carolina 67, Kentucky 61

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2. A Bull Stock Market for the Next 20 Years: What see ye now, Alan Greenspan? Can you believe it was that simple? Don't tax and spend, ban the Gun!

3. Keanu Reeves Agrees to stop "Acting": In a recently released statement, Keanu Reeves is quoted as saying "If guys that bad know when to quit, then so should I."

4. Ethiopia Experiences Unprecedented Agricultural Growth: Experts are baffled but excited by the recent wealth of agricultural goods in Ethiopia, a country once plagued by famine so much that it had been relegated to

Fourth World status. However, the saintly Mother Theresa told Bulletin reporters that "It is like a miracle. First the Gun leaves and suddenly Ethiopia experiences this breakthrough. Obviously there is a connection, and obviously I'm out of the job." (NOTE: It would figure that the Smoking Gun, those vomitous masses, would attempt to make the holiest of humans, Mother Theresa, unemployed.)

5. O.J. Confesses: In an interesting twist of fate, O.J. Simpson, on trial for killing the Smoking Gun, hurtled in his defense yesterday by saying "Hey man, leave me alone. I don't kill columnists, just women. My ex-wife, to be specific. Oh yea, and that

Goldman guy." After this suprising announcement, everyone everywhere continued their daily routines because, well, they already knew that.

6. The Eagle's Nest Stays Open Until 11 p.m.: Look people, can't you just think for yourselves on this one? Can't you see the world is going to be much better now without the Gun? Its kind of like "It's a Wonderful Life" in the sense that now the Gun can see just how much better the world is without the Smoking Gun. Don't you get it?

7. The Red Sox Will Win the World Series: For the first time since 1918, the Sox have a reason to win it all this year. That's right, using the sudden

disappearance of the Smoking Gun as inspiration, the Boston manager released this statement: "Without the Gun, life becomes so much more bearable. They're a disgrace to the sports columnist world. Their exit has given my players such a new love for the game—and, for that matter, the world—that we're running out of baseballs because they keep hitting them out of the stadium."

8. Mass Resurrections: It seems that the recent epidemic of death rearing across the country has been a hoax! Many so-called "dead people" merely faked their death so they wouldn't have to read the Smoking Gun. Of course, this could pose a problem for overpopulation, but that's your problem.

In a related story, suicides have dropped incredibly since the Gun's announcement of their "retirement."

9. Jack Nicholson Agrees to Star in "Lounge Lizard": The Movie (Working Title): With Zak and Brian unable to play themselves in the highly anticipated movie event of the next millennium, Jack Nicholson has agreed to reprise his most famous role yet, Randle P. McMurphy ("One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"). The exact details of Nicholson's new role are as yet unknown, but possible director Steven Spielberg is optimistic. "It should be great." (NOTE: Attention Joel Schumacher: STOP CALLING!!!)

10. Well, all kidding aside, The Bullet Will Look Better: Without the Gun, economic experts have predicted a huge increase in the stock value of the Bullet. National corporations like Microsoft, McDonald's, and AT&T have all expressed an incredible amount of interest in advertising in the Bullet. Bridget Malone, Bullet ad manager, expects quite a large increase in advertising revenue, and knows why. "With the only indisputable aspect of the Bullet leaving (i.e. the Smoking Gun), I'm expecting the biggest increase in advertisers. Looks like we'll be going to 24 pages next week, what with all the ads I'll get." (NOTE: Only Bullet staff members will be allowed to use the jacuzzi being installed in their office.)

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Spearhead: "Chocolate Supa Highway" Capitol Records
http://www.hollywoodandvine.com/Spearhead/

In 1992 Spearhead frontman Michael Franti released *Hypocrisy* is the Greatest Luxury with his group the Disposable Heroes of Hiphoprisy. The messages were positive and the music innovative, but hip-hop heads weren't feeling the groove.

In 1994 Spearhead debuted with the ground breaking *Home* which crushed all sorts of musical boundaries. It is hip-hop with live instruments by Funky as Hell and true as could be to the culture. On top of that, it has serious messages.

Spearhead won awards for "Positive," a song about AIDS-testing and "Hole In the Bucket," a track about homelessness. The album was thought-inspiring and their live show surpassed that of the Digable Planets, who they opened for.

Franti begins by logging onto the Chocolate Supa Highway via African Online. He then moves into the title track which will have soul and hip-hop music buffs tripping from its references:

Check it, I'm descending back into this record
The heavy breathing funky rhyme paramecia
... 'cause I can't stand the pain outside my window
... Flex like Flash when they try to pull me under

My favorite is, no doubt, the second one—a great Ann Peebles' imitation switched up to accentuate some wicked wordplay. The vibe on this cut is nothing short of ass-moving and head-bobbing. And of course the positive messages are in there:

Yes, I remember, the time in Oklahoma,
You tried to blame an Arab, but the Whitey was the bomber.
You be jumpin' to conclusions
I think you spent your whole life watchin' cable in seclusion.
Illusions 'bout what's outside your door
One n—ga, two n—ga, three n—ga, four,
Robbing every house and every liquor store.

"Food for the Masses" is an example of Franti's expertise not only in creating lyrics, but lyrical rhythms. Franti has said that he studies other rapper's rhythms to see what kind of things they're doing and then he tries to work them to do his own thing. The flavor is so, so tight you might need a laser to break it down.

Another highlight is "Rebel Music (3 O'Clock Roadblock)" which features Stephen Marley. Marley comes so close to his father, this cut makes one realize what it would sound like if the Honorable One were alive doing collaborations with rappers. This has also been released as a CD 5" on Capitol in conjunction with Marley's Tuff Gong label.

Spearhead's sounds throughout the album are never static—rather, very dynamic, each track inspiring different moods. Music ranges from hip-hop to funk to soul to jazz to reggae to guitar-based drumless musings to mellow, bouncy aural



"I went hiking on the Appalachian Trail and stopped at Naked Mountain vineyards."
—Tim Allison, sophomore

"I rested and spent time with my family."
—Chaka Hines, senior



rides. And for Disposable Heroes fans, there's a remake of "Water Pistol Man."

The lineup is similar to the one on *Home*. Keith McArthur is replaced by Carl Young on bass and Trinna Simmons is on backup vocals (the beautiful Mary Harris is noticeably gone, but well-replaced). James Gray is no longer on drums (he is currently working as a bassist with my man Adam Bomb for his new project, Creed) and Le Le Jamison isn't around on keys. Some nice additions can be seen in the instrumental variety: one track has violin, another

What Did You Do for Your Spring Break?



"I drove down to Panama City Beach with some of my friends and had a blast."
—Travis McCoy, sophomore

Photos by Karen Pearlman



"I spent time with my family and got to see my friend in Nashville."
—Ryan K. Richards, freshman

"I hung out with the folks and visited friends at Pitt—oh, and ate good food!"
—Natasha K. Ward, freshman



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THE REAL AUTHOR OF PRIMARY COLORS (IN BROWN, RIGHT) PAYS OFF JOE KLEIN (LEFT) TO TAKE THE FALL.

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Chirico tells us that there is not going to be any alcohol-related events that there is nothing we can do about it—it's not our fault. Our voices were heard by Dean Chirico, but when he tells us these things are not gonna happen, there is not much we can do about it," McCoy said.

With no opposition, the other classes began to focus on the rest of the year and the fall, planning activities such as Devil Goat Day and Rocktoberfest.

"Originally I was opposed but the guy running against me had to drop out of the race because of problems with work or something. It definitely puts a lot less strain on me," said McCoy.

Freshman Class President Kara Davis hoped that her lack of opposition had to do with her success this year.

"I hope everyone thinks that I have been doing a good job and is satisfied with our events," said Davis, who will be the sophomore class president.

The newly elected members selected the executive cabinet after the results were announced last night.

The Judicial Review Board and Honor Council also held elections last night.

The Judicial Review Board came up short with representatives. There is one unfilled position in the junior class and three unfilled positions in the sophomore class. Applications will be taken by the chairman Beth Moss, instead of holding another election.

The Bulletin did not obtain the Honor Council and Judicial Review Board election results, however, they will be posted these in the next issue.

1997-98 CLASS COUNCIL OFFICERS**Executive Officers**

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President: Kara Davis
Vice President: Rachel Silbaugh
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Publicity Chair: Daniela Kelley

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Along with his forced resignation and honor charges, Burris has had to deal with angry students. Rumors of death threats surfaced but could not be verified. Burris did, however, face badgering phone calls and incensed students at his door.

"I have received harassing phone calls with people swearing at me and then hanging up. I would like to speak with them, but they are immature for hanging up, so they are idiots. Several people have shown up at my door wanting to discuss the issue, and I let some of them in. We had civil conversations and they went well," said Burris.

In addition to harassing phone calls, Burris also received letters. Several students wrote letters to the Bulletin, showing their displeasure with Burris' article. One of these students, Jenny Burger, a freshman at MWC, shared her views in this way.

"I have never met him [Burris] face to face, but based on his views, he is not a person I would like. His extremist views misrepresent the views of the College Republicans. It's probably good for the club that he did resign," said Burger.

Brown agreed that Burris'

resignation would help repair the club's damaged reputation.

According to Kahill, several members e-mailed him with requests to have their names taken off the membership list. He has also received numerous letters asking if Burris' view is shared by all College Republicans.

"It was bad publicity for the College Republicans," said Kahill. Despite his forced resignation, pending honor charges, and angry students, Burris does not apologize for his actions.

"I have no regrets for submitting the article. The reason I gave it to the Bulletin was to point out that the homosexual life-style is immoral. I do not hate homosexuals, but that is how everyone took it because of the satire. I just do not agree with their life-style," Burris said.

Burris expressed displeasure with a couple of things, the first being the student body's non-receptive attitude towards the article.

"Whenever someone expresses a conservative opinion on campus, that person is immediately attacked because they do not conform to the dominant liberal atmosphere...but whenever a liberal expresses an opinion in the Bulletin, no one seems

to care," he said.

He could not, however, cite any examples of this occurrence. Also Burris did not care for the new title of the article.

"I was upset that the Bulletin changed the article's title. Because of the new title people thought I felt that there should not be a separation between church and state," Burris said.

In spite of the recent conflicts within the club, Burris continues to be a member of the College Republicans and would like the issue to be put to rest. According to Brown, regular membership in the club will not be denied to Burris.

"Garrett is still a member. I'll let anyone be a member," said Brown.

Currently, the College Republicans are in search of a new faculty adviser. According to Associate Dean for Student Activities, Cedric Rucker, Otho Campbell, associate professor of history, was the last listed adviser for the club. However, Brown said that, before he became the new chairman, the organization did not have a faculty adviser.

"We're looking at a few people—I'm not at liberty to say who, but they want to see how the club goes from here," said Burris.

Do you have something to say? Write to the Bulletin box 604. Be sure to include your name and extension number.

The Bulletin Opinions section is looking for a dedicated person who wants to become an assistant editor. Experience is preferred but not required. Long nights of work are common, so the applicant must be aware of the time commitment that the Bulletin requires.

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Usually, applications for an academic year abroad must be received a full year in advance. The deadline for 1997-98 grants, for example, was August 1, 1996.

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Where can I go?

Almost anywhere. There are grants to 29 countries in Africa, 24 countries in Latin America, 34 countries in Europe, 19 countries in the Middle East and South Asia, and 13 countries in East Asia.

What are the deadlines?

The on-campus deadline for applications is September 19, 1997, so get in touch with the Campus Fulbright Program Adviser or any members of the committee about how to proceed.

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